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CHINESE PLOT TO KNOCK EARTH OUT OF ORBIT

At 4:03 p.m. EST on Labor Day, Sept. 2, 2002,

1.2 billion Chinese will jump up and down in another attempt to destroy the U.S., and send the Earth spinning into space

STAND

WE STOPPED

THOSE sneaky Chinese are at it again — trying to throw the Earth's orbit out of whack by jumping up and down in unison. And unless millions of patriotic *Weekly World News* readers do a counter-jump here in America at precisely the same moment, it could mean the end of the world!

By GEORGE SAMFORD

For the fifth time in a decade, the Chinese government is forging ahead with a bizarre scheme to topple America by changing the Earth's tilt, the CIA has learned.

"Despite all this talk about China and America being pals now, the truth is those little commie rats hate our guts and they'll try anything to destroy us — even if it means risking the lives of everyone on the planet," a high-level CIA official confirmed.

"The Chinese have ordered all 1.2 billion of their people to jump up and down at exactly 4:01 p.m. EST on September 2. In tilt the Earth on its axis just enough that America will be cast into eternal winter. We'll be living in another Ice Age, fighting for survival. Our days as a superpower will be over while China is transformed into a paradise.

"As absolutely crazy as it sounds, our scientists say there's a 45 percent chance it could work — and if it fails, there's a 55 percent chance it could send the Earth spiraling out of control and into deep space."

The only way for the plot to be foiled, experts say is for as many people on the other side of the world — North America — to jump up and down simultaneously, counteracting the impact of the trade in China hop.

When the Chinese tried the ploy before in the 1990s, *Weekly World News* readers rose to the occasion and launched a massive counter-jump that successfully thwarted the evil effort.

But with U.S.-Sino relations warming up, the back-stabbing communists think our nation's guard is down — and they're ready to give it another crack.

Every freedom-loving American must join in the world-saving scam. To participate, stop what you are doing at 4:01 p.m. on September 2 and jump up and down as high as you can for six minutes, say government experts who are spreading the word quietly to avoid mass hysteria.

"Tell your friends, neighbors and co-workers. We need every able-bodied American man, woman and child on board," says the CIA official.

"There are 285 million Americans in this country and we're far bigger than the Chinese.

"If we all act as one, we can lick them at their own game."

AS USUAL, America's firefighters and *Weekly World News* readers have always been the first to respond. But, it's not enough. Put out the word — gather your friends and relatives, and practice jumping up and down together. We're counting on you!

UP & JUMP AMERICA

THEM BEFORE — AND WE'LL DO IT AGAIN!

Out of LEFT FIELD

By BOBBIE BENDER
Weekly World News

Wrong number!

This man lost way too much time on his hands!

He spent at least $200 a week on obscene phone calls to women he spotted on local television commercials. Police say over 50,000 sex calls were made by the phone harasser over the past year.

After victims fingered him, the dialing ding-a-ling was sentenced to four years in jail for being a public nuisance.

Life got you batty?

If you think some of the articles in this newspaper are batty, wait until you read this!

A couple in Florida are being chased out of their apartment by tricky bats.

The winged invaders appear in their shower, sink, and even crawl under the bed sheets. The two-some are covered with tiny bat bites all over their bodies, especially on their necks.

Unfortunately, federal law prohibits bats from being killed unless they test positive for rabies. (or get slayer "Buffy" angry.)

This is a job for Bat Boy!

A male whale ritual

Fin whales appear to be 'NSYNC' with the sun.

Their songs may be the weirdest of all underwater species, and scans have even been known to harmonize with each other.

California researchers found that the males sing loudly to attract the future Mrs. Shamu. (or Mr. Willy, whatever their sexual preference is.) Unlike other species, fin whales don't hang around normal breeding grounds, so they really have to carry a tune.

I guess single vocal bars are out of the question.

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS READERS . . .

Sound Off!

Tell us what YOU think! Write: Sound Off, c/o Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487
Email: Editor@weeklyworldnews.com

Is this towelhead going to change America's way of life? NO WAY!

Dear Weekly World News,

Thank you for your important story alerting us to Osama Bin Laden's plan to destroy our wonderful American way of life if he ever defeats our nation. Requiring us women to wear those stupid burqas is bad enough, but if he wants me to stop watching TV he's going to have to pry the remote control from my cold, dead hands!

Janet V.
Las Vegas, Nev.

Don't worry, Janet — thanks to patriotic, right-thinking Americans like you, Bin Laden and his bullies don't stand a chance.

Dear WWN,

I wasn't surprised to read that that idiot who buried baby chicks in his farm and tried to plow his field with a BMW used to be a Wall Street stockbroker. In fact, I think he used to be my broker. My portfolio is filled with nothing but worthless junk from Enron, WorldCom and a couple other bankrupt companies, and I can't get hold of anyone at my brokerage to tell me what to do. Can you help me?

Andy H.
Houston, Texas

Sorry, we're not qualified to give financial advice. But if you do get stuck with those stocks, don't throw out the certificates. You'll need them when the next Depression hits and we all run out of toilet paper.

Dear WWN,

I was shocked to read in your August 13 issue that the sun's going to explode in 2006. What do you think we should do to get ready for this terrible event?

Paul C.
Wilmington, Del.

Get rid of all your winter clothes, invest in sunscreen and start praying — hard!

Dear Bat Boy,

We saw pictures of you serving to the United States Marines. We just wanted to let you know how proud and honored we are to have you as a member of the armed forces! Not only are you brave, but you're so damn cute too! Would you ever consider dating one — or two — of your fans?

"Droll" and "Unicorn," are our stage names.

Plymouth, Minn.

We showed this letter to Bat Boy, and he reminded us that at this time in his life romance must take a back seat to the important task of ridding the world of Osama Bin Laden and his terrorist scum pals. Not to mention that you refuse to use your real names — this could just be a cunning Taliban trap!

Dear WWN,

Hello, my name is Mandy. I have chosen to do one of my 4-H Club projects on creative writing. For this project I have to write to a magazine which publishes fiction. I was wondering if you could send me your guidelines for submission, so I could complete my project book. Thank you.

Mandy M.
New Bremen, Ohio

We'd love to help you, Mandy, but our newspaper doesn't publish fiction — every fact is conscientiously gathered and double-checked by a highly trained team of reporters and editors who are dedicated to reporting the truth and nothing but the truth.

But good luck with your project.

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MEDICAL ALERT!

PETTING YOUR DOG CAN KILL YOU!

Warning: Petting your beloved dog even once can kill you!

At least half of all canines carry a dangerous bacteria that can lead to paralysis and even death in humans, researchers have learned.

Medical experts now believe Man's Best Friend is responsible for infecting tens of thousands of people with the deadly bug known as campylobacter.

"We know now that half of domesticated dogs are infected with campylobacter," leading British microbiologist Hugh Pennington said in an interview.

"It is carried by many wild birds and when dogs go into the countryside or the undergrowth in the garden they come in contact with bird droppings.

"Most dogs aren't affected by it, but they can carry it. And if it gets into their owner's mouth, they can easily be infected."

Typically, pet-owners stroke a dog's fur, pick up the killer microbe, then ingest it while snacking on food, experts say.

Victims suffer agonizing abdominal pains, high fever and bloody diarrhea before they become completely paralyzed and die.

Experts advise that if you must insist on petting your dog, you wash your hands carefully — particularly before eating.

"People should be more careful about washing their hands after handling their dogs," Pennington advises.

ED ANGER UPDATE!

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Only weeks after collapsing from a near-fatal heart attack, heroic *Weekly World News* columnist Ed Anger has been officially cleared to return to work.

"We find Mr. Anger has progressed well enough to resume a normal schedule," said one of the top cardiologists who's been overseeing Ed's recovery. "But we will continue to caution him to stick to a heart-healthy diet and especially to keep that famous temper of his under control."

The acclaimed writer was hospitalized for several weeks after keeling over at his desk while writing the hugely popular column that's been carried in *Weekly World News* publish advance columns Ed had written before his brush with death.

A grateful Ed said he owes his recovery to the warm wishes and prayers of his millions of fans.

"You people are what kept me going," Ed said. "And don't worry — I'm not going to go soft just because of what those pill pushers say. There's too many wimps and women's libbers and crybaby cripples out there for me to just lay off.

"I'll be back on the job as soon as Thelma Jean gets back in the kitchen where she belongs, fixes me a

THAT'S A WRAP!

FETCHING film veteran Debbie Rochon has starred in more than 80 movies, and her career's really starting to take off. The much-acclaimed star of *American Nightmare* and *Witchcraft 3* has several new releases due out, including *Make 'Em Bleed* and *Skin Crawl*. When Debbie's not on a horror movie set, she enjoys writing her queer magazines and spending time with her pug dog. But she won't have much time for these pastimes in the next few weeks, as she's scheduled to start shooting *Nowhere Man* opposite daytime soap star Michael Nadrick. In the film, Debbie plays a girl who runs off with her estranged fiancé's — well,

WORLD'S FATTEST FOR STEALING FATTEST CAT!

2,850 lbs.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Infamous ultra-heavyweights Boris and Helga Stocker have been busted for attempting to steal another super-sized celebrity, the world's fattest cat — and there's not a prison big enough to hold the colossal cat-nappers!

The owners of Tonya the tubby tabby are furious that the siblings, known to *Weekly World News* readers as the world's fattest twins, were merely released and ordered to appear in court four weeks later.

"They destroyed our front yard committing this terrible crime, but worse than that they terrorized our beloved Tonya," fumes Ben Creighton. "And the police just set them free. Tonya cannot feel safe, knowing those fatcritters fatt asses are out there somewhere."

But Cape Town cops say their only choice was to release the Stockers — because they couldn't fit into the police precinct's tiny jail.

"We couldn't even get them into the building, let alone a jail cell," says an exhausted patrolman who claims he was nearly squashed by the Stockers, who tip the scales at a combined weight of 5,800 pounds — almost three tons.

"We must have spent an hour trying to push them through," he says. "We took the door off the building, and we even greased up the twins and tried to slide them in sideways."

Cops finally set up a makeshift booking desk outside and issued the twins a notice to appear in court.

The alleged theft of fat-cat Tonya — which the Stockers deny — is the latest case of bad behavior involving the disgustingly plump pair.

The owner of a Chinese restaurant

CAPE TOWN cops arrived to "Tonya, the world's fattest cat, after twins Boris and Helga attempted to steal her.

spent three days chomping their way through every morsel of food on his menu. The Stockers also are battling a health club, which claims they flattened $500,000 worth of equipment.

In Cape Town, they're accused of stealing the famed feline who weighs more than 42 pounds. Sources say the titanic twins were "obsessed" with the tubby tabby.

The Creightons say the twins had been spotted around their home for several days before the alleged theft.

Creighton, "but she needs the extra room. She was in the front yard when all this happened."

"We heard a crash," Ben Creighton continues. "I saw those fat blobs going down the street, with Tonya scratching and clawing at them."

The Stockers say they weren't stealing Tonya. "She came with us all on her own," Helga Stocker insists. "We were walking down the street and she just leaped into Boris' arms. The fence broke because Boris was so startled, he fell on it. We may sue them for that."

Boris Stocker says he looks forward to a trial "to clear our names."

But sources say cops and judges are dreading it. The small courthouse will need major modifications to fit the double-wide pair.

"These two butterballs have been a pain everywhere they go," says one insider. "Some people think we should just send them out into the African jungle and let one of those cannibal tribes take care of them.

TWINS BUSTED —

By AMBROSE CLARE
Weekly World News

5,800 lbs. of trouble!

Giant squid washes up on shore – & uses restroom!

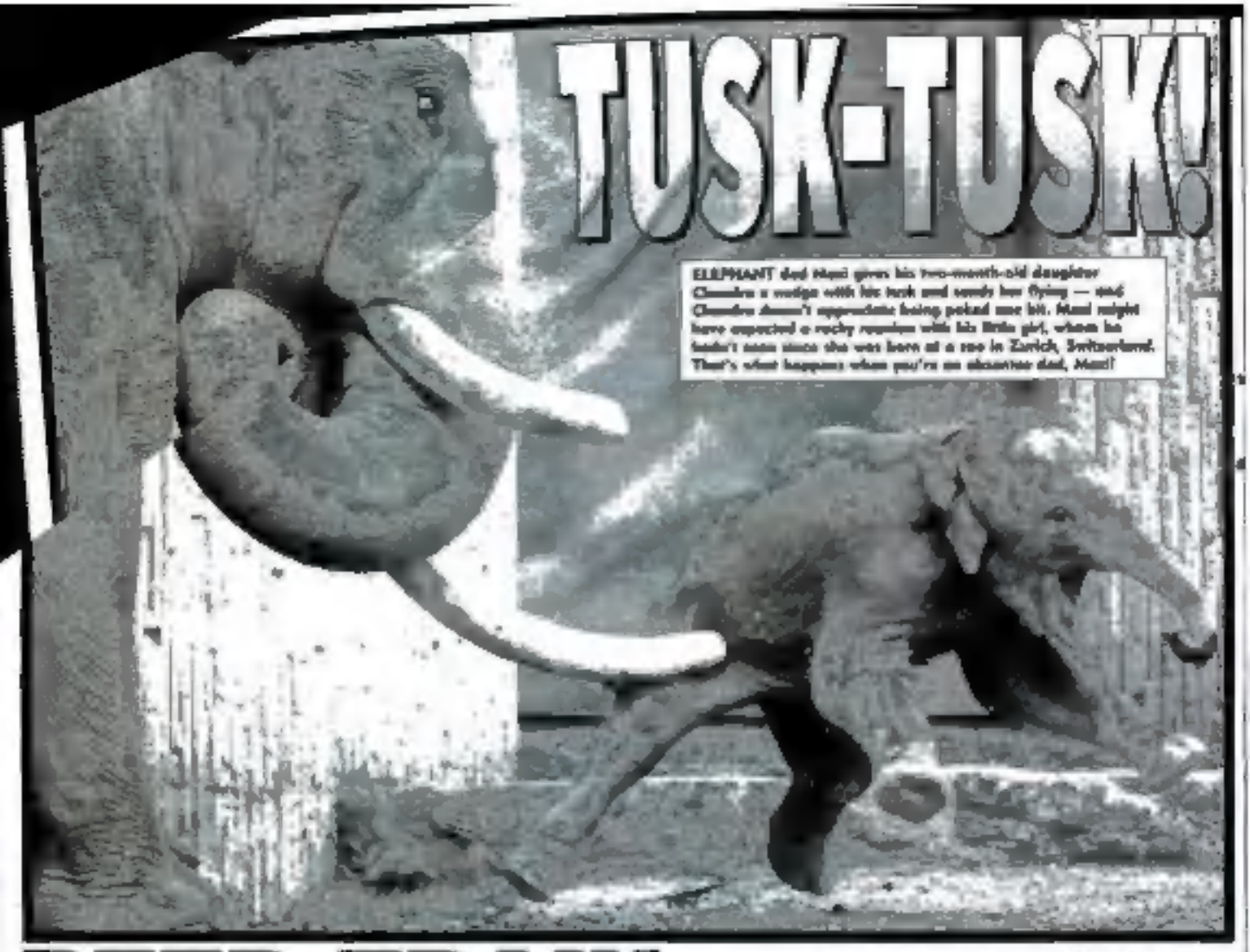
A FREAKISH giant squid weighing 350 pounds washed ashore in Tasmania — and stunned eyewitnesses by crawling into a nearby restroom and cleaning its tentacles in the sink!

"It looked like it was the beach, crawled into a public marine biologist Dan Tetherton.

"The squid also splashed cold water in its face — perhaps it was trying to get some salt water out of its eye," Tetherton speculated.

"Then the 10-second creature left and went back to the sea."

TUSK-TUSK!



ELEPHANT dad Mani gives his two-month-old daughter Chandra a nudge with his tusk and sends her flying — and Chandra doesn't appreciate being poked one bit. Mani might have expected a rocky reunion with his little girl, whom he hadn't seen since she was born at a zoo in Zurich, Switzerland. That's what happens when you're an absentee dad, Mani!

BEER TRAIN HAS NO BATHROOMS!

TOKYO — A train company is treating commuters to all the beer they can drink on the way home from work. There's just one problem — the train has no toilets, which can get pretty uncomfortable when you're full of brew.

"I've learned to get out and use the men's room when the train stops," says a businessman riding home on the Friday night beer train. "The first time I did this, I thought I could wait until my stop and I nearly had an accident."

The train chugs past Japan's Mount Fuji, about 60 miles southwest of Tokyo. Passengers get as much locally brewed beer as they can drink — and the rest room at one of the station stops. They're in for a gut-grossing trip.

The lack of toilets hasn't hurt ticket sales. The trip is booked solid for weeks, says a spokesman for train company Fuji Kyuko.

"I can put up with a little discomfort for two hours," says a stockbroker. "With this economy my work week is so stress-

CROOKS DRESSED AS CLOWNS!

POLICE in Manchester, England are hunting a gang of gunslinging clowns who held up a trendy wine bar.

The trio of big-rubber-nosed, costumed crooks threatened the manager with a sawed-off shotgun and a knife before making off with the loot.

The goofy gang piled into a van and, true to form, managed to get into three accidents as they made their getaway. Detective Inspector Darren Sheehan told reporters.

GHOSTLY PRANKSTERS TERRORIZE SLEEPING FAMILY!

A FRAZZLED family of four claim they're being terrorized by an invisible entity that moves their beds around, smashes objects in their home — and sometimes coats their bodies with

smeared with lotions which are in the house," said distraught dad Maxsie Sejake of Motlonyane village in South Africa. "Sometimes Vaseline is smeared on us."

Cops admit they're baffled by the cute and paranormal re-

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EVERYONE'S looking for terrorist creep Osama Bin Laden, but the world's most wanted man has eluded everyone from the CIA to our heroic Bat Boy. That's why the patriotic readers of *Weekly World News* have been enlisted in the hunt for the cowardly killer who masterminded the outrageous September 11 attacks on America.

We've been asking you to practice your bounty hunting skills with Where's Osama?, a weekly contest to find the turbaned terrorist in a crowd photo. This week we have a special task for you: Find and circle 10 other well-known personalities who are hidden in the same photo as bully boy Bin Laden. And this week we're raising the stakes by offering a whopping $100 to the winner.

Besides Osama, we're looking for these famous folks: Elvis, Jimmy Hoffa, Marilyn Monroe, former President Ronald Reagan, space alien E'Lod, Saddam Hussein, Yasser Arafat, Mother Teresa and former First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

What's the 10th newsmaker? We're keeping that a secret, as a true test of our readers' knowledge of world events.

Entries must be received by Sept. 2, 2002. We'll draw one lucky winner from the correct entries on Sept. 3, 2002. The winner will receive $100 and the nation's gratitude.

Remember to include your name, address and daytime phone number so we can give you the great news if you win.

The winner's name will appear in issue 40 of *Weekly World News*.

No purchase is necessary, and the contest is open to all U.S. residents 19 and older. The odds of winning depend on the number of entries we receive. The contest is void where prohibited by law. All entries become the property of *Weekly World News*.

Congratulations to our latest win-

Hey gals! Clip this story and make SURE your man reads it!

Docs warn: LAP DANC MAKES YOU IMPOTENT

...& the damage is permanent!

THIS guy doesn't know it yet — but his "lungs and biceps" may not be working for his wedding night

LONDON — Warning to guys: Getting even one hot, steamy lap dance can make you impotent, an alarming new study shows!

The medical alert comes from a top British urologist who says that the raunchy strip club activity — in which a bump-and-grind beauty gyrates her G-string clad bunny in a patron's lap — can cause irreversible damage to blood vessels in the penis and testicles.

"The male genitalia is simply not designed to support the weight of another human's body," explains Dr. Arnold Fieldman, co-author of the study. "So-called lap dancing is leading to what can only be termed an epidemic of penile injury.

"Our research produced compelling evidence that many instances of chronic sexual dysfunction are caused by this form of recreation — and that even a single episode, as a bachelor party, for example, can cause lasting damage."

"Genital Injury and Sexual Dysfunction in Adult Nightclub Patrons" is due to be published in the British Journal of Urology Nowadays.

The report was based on physical examinations of 80 males, ages 18 to 40, half of whom had paid for at least one lap dance within the previous six months. Half of whom hadn't viewed close of the nude behavior.

While the control group suffered no penis problems that the general population, a startling 49 per cent of the lap dance enthusiasts complained of impotence.

"We saw an erectile dysfunction level of nearly 50 percent," says Dr. Fieldman.

"In about 45 percent of these subjects, examinations also revealed the classic deterioration and rampant vascular and neurological damage to the "lap band" — almost certainly the result of frictions caused by the vigorous motion of the dancer's body against the fronts of their pants."

Worse still, tests revealed significant damage to the penile blood vessels.

"Blood flow was severely compromised," says the doctor.

"Some of the men suffered from a loss of sensation and inability to attain erection. Others who did get lucky began losing virility over time as their tissue heals. Others who did get lucky. Dear patient's lines of blood flow were so severe, gangrene set in and the manhood had to be surgically removed.

"As many as 60 percent of these men are not expected to regain normal erectile function in the long term, even with the help of Viagra," notes Dr. Fieldman.

"At this time, extreme measures can be taken, such as penile implants, but this is dangerous and expensive."

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ABSTRACT

This data represents the results of a 24 week controlled study which shows the positive biological effects, efficacy and safety of a combined unique herbal oral therapy and topical solutions on hair regrowth. Two hundred subjects (100 males and 100 females) were enrolled in our study. A combination of herbal oral therapy and a special complex of herbal based topical formulations was evaluated. The topical formulation has special enhancers that significantly increase the rate of penetration into the scalp. On the average, active hair regrowth was noted with the combined therapy in most cases of the patients in early as two to four months. No further hair loss was reported in each in one to two months. Long term follow up has shown no side effects and sustained regrowth. The results presented here provide evidence of the effectiveness, safety and the high degree of success achieved with this revolutionary modality. This therapeutic approach represents the latest and most advanced treatment in the management of androgenetic alopecia (hair loss) in both men and women.

HERBAL ORAL MEDICATION

Testosterone is a naturally occurring sex hormone (androgen) normally produced mainly by the male testes with a small contribution from the adrenal glands in both men and women. For this reason it is found in higher concentrations in men as compared to women. It is the compound solely responsible for the male sex characteristics of man as opposed to oestrogen and progesterone, the androgens hormones determining the female sex. Through very complex biochemical pathways in the body some of testosterone undergoes a series of transformations resulting in various compounds each with a different physiologic function in the body than the original hormone. One of the main compounds produced is dihydrotestosterone also known as DHT.

Accumulation of DHT within the hair follicle is considered to be the hormonal mediator of hair loss through its direct action on the androgenic receptors in human scalp tissue. Through an unknown mechanism, DHT causes a miniaturization of the hair follicles in the scalp resulting in the alteration of the general metabolism (normal hair growth). The final outcome of this miniaturization ranges from the partial destruction to the complete obliteration of hair follicles resulting in an excessive dropout in the number of functional follicles.

The organic extract of the herbal formulations tested acts at the level of the cytosolic androgenic receptors of the scalp in a direct competitive manner with DHT (it works as a natural androgenic blocker by inhibiting the active binding of DHT to the hair follicle receptor thereby modulating its effects and decreasing the amount of follicle damage and hair loss.

TOPICAL FORMULATION

A special topical medication was exclusively designed by experts in our institution. This new development represents an advanced treatment modality for pattern baldness. This blended hair-growing medicinal complex contains a variety of penetrating agents (enhancers) which improves the penetration rate to the affected scalp.

MATERIALS AND METHOD

Two hundred volunteer patients consisting of one hundred men and one hundred women exhibiting pattern baldness were enrolled in the study. The severity of hair loss ranged from stage I to the most advance stage IV on the Hamilton and Ludwig scales. Each participant was subjected to a thorough physical examination and a complete medical history was taken. All patients were in general good health and none have been previously involved in any studies or treatment in this type. The age range was 18-65 years. The mean age for men in years with their standard deviation was 32.1 ± 9.1 and 37.7 ± 12.9 in women. The total duration of the study was six months.

RESULTS

The overall outcome of this therapeutic modality has proved to be an extremely beneficial treatment approach in the management of androgenetic alopecia (hair loss). There was a significant difference in the rate of hair loss and regrowth noted between males and females. A dramatic decrease in the rate of excessive hair loss and fallout was noted in most patients after the first 1-2 months of treatment in women exclusively. this was evident as early as 2-4 weeks. Actual regrowth of hair was usually seen on the average starting within 2-4 months in both males and females. Thickening and lengthening of hair throughout the scalp occurred in all patients over the course of the study.

Start growing a full, healthy head of hair today!

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DENTIST MAKING DENTURES FOR VAMPIRES

'A vampire without his fangs is like a wasp without his stinger,' says the good doctor

BUZAU, Rumania — A dentist in a quaint Rumanian village is creating controversy by specializing in making false teeth for the undead.

By MIKE MORSE

Dr Andre Mishoff, whose business boasts office hours "from sun down to sunup," has built a successful practice catering to vampires whose mouths are in need of dental repair.

"Surgery is popular because vampires cannot just grow back fangs that have been lost or broken," says the dentist. "And a vampire without his fangs is like a wasp without his stinger."

Mishoff now boasts a dozen patients — every vampire alleged to reside in the area who have been to the mouth with their head bones or have broken mandibles.

The dentist even advertises [illegible] to be sent [illegible] the bodies of the [illegible] the lake levels," claims Josef Pelligio, a local merchant. "Mishoff is on evil man. He is in league with the Devil."

Not so, says Mishoff.

"I've never met the Devil," he claims. "But if he ever needed some bridge work done, my door is always open."

Man keeps dead dad in room to avoid eviction!

You think your roommate smells bad? Try living with a corpse for a year! That's what a man in Wiesbaden, Germany, did after his father died.

Cops say the son, 42, was unemployed and didn't tell anyone about the death because the dwelling was rented in his father's name and he was afraid he'd be evicted.

The father was skeletal, just skin and bones — completely dried up," police spokesman Peter [illegible] straw-stuffed, frozen rest of the apartment and were horrified to find the dad's decomposing mummy-like remains.

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Hey gals! Clip this story and make SURE your man reads it!

Docs warn: LAP DANC MAKES YOU IMPOTENT

...& the damage is permanent!

THIS guy doesn't know it yet but his "thugs and hoses" may not be working for his wedding night

LONDON — Warning to guys: Getting even one hot, steamy lap dance can make you impotent, an alarming new study shows!

The medical alert comes from a top British urologist who says that the raunchy strip club activity — in which a bump and grind beauty gyrates her G-string clad fanny in a patron's lap — can cause irreversible damage to blood vessels in the penis and testicles.

"The male genitalia is simply not designed to support the weight of another human's body," explains Dr Arnold Fieldmouse, co-author of the study. "So-called lap dancing is leading to what can only be termed an epidemic of penile injury.

"Our research produced compelling evidence that many instances of chronic sexual dysfunction are caused by this form of recreation — and that even a single episode, at a bachelor party, for example, can cause lasting damage."

[illegible] sexual injury and sexual dysfunction — Adult Nightclub Patrons," is due to be published by the British Journal [illegible]

The report was based on physical examinations of 84 male customers, 42 of whom had paid for at least one lap dance within the previous six months, half of whom had steered clear of the risky behavior.

While the control group suffered no more bedroom problems than the general population, a startling 69 percent of the lap dance enthusiasts complained of impotence.

[illegible] and 76 percent [illegible] to attain [illegible] erection.

"Tests on a number of these subjects also revealed the [illegible] and redness caused by [illegible] abrasion or 'rug burn' — almost certainly the result of friction caused by the vigorous motion of the dancer's body against the groin of their pants."

Worse still, tests revealed significant damage to the penile blood vessels.

"Blood flow was severely diminished, causing flaccidity," says the doctor, who [illegible] ability to attain [illegible] erection.

"In some cases, the damage is irreparable, and the patient will never be able to regain their virility, even with the help of Viagra."

Others are not so lucky. One patient's loss of blood flow was so severe, gangrene set in and his manhood had to be surgically removed.

"As many as 64 percent of these men are not expected to regain normal erectile function in the long term, even with the help of Viagra," noted Dr Fieldmouse.

"At this time, extreme measures can be taken, such as penile implants, but this is dangerous and expensive."

"It's a bit sad. For the sake of a cheap thrill, these misled their own

By GEORGE SANFORD
Weekly World News

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Cannibals go on rampage

KIEV, Ukraine — Cops have nabbed a vicious gang of cannibals who allegedly murdered five people, then cooked and ate their flesh!

The man-eating monsters, who carried out their diabolical crime spree include a husband and wife, her brother and son of his landlord.

"During the last year they killed a young woman in a park and then cut out and ate fleshy parts of the body," reveals a police spokesperson.

Cannibalism is a problem in the impoverished former Soviet Union, experts say.

AMES, Iowa — Police in Ames, Iowa, left two dogs sweltering in a car while they went to court fighting animal cruelty charges.

He claimed two Alaskan malamute dogs together and left them in locked car while he

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Ex-dictator a barfly!

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone — Former bloodthirsty military dictator Valentine Strasser, known for murdering his enemies on the beach, is broke and living at home with his mother.

Strasser, the world's youngest dictator in 1992 at the age of 25, lost power of this small African nation in a bloodless coup in 1996 and moved in with his mom after his house was burned to the ground.

He now spends his days dodging rock-throwing mobs as he walks to

KILLER COWS TERRORIZING FARMERS!

By CHAD ELLIOTT
Weekly World News

ABERDEEN, Scotland — A community of terrified Scottish farmers is under siege on their own farms — by man-eating, carnivorous cows!

Heart-eating herds have killed four & attacked others!

Farmer Angus Dalgil, 41, was the first victim of the bizarre epidemic that has frightened cattle breeders in this Aberdeen area into either destroying their herds or beefing up their fortifications.

"One morning I was feeding my cows and decided to give my favorite Daisy a treat," Dalgil recalls. "She ate out of my hand. Then she licked me and drew blood. I saw her lick the blood from her lips.

"Then she looked at me like I was a piece of meat."

To Dalgil's astonishment, Daisy began to ominously approach the farmer and let out a peculiar moo that sent chills down her fellow cows.

Dalgil was able to hop over the fence just in time before the herd of crazed cows closed in for the kill.

"They would have eaten me alive. The farmer claims. "I'm sure of it. Their mouths were dripping with saliva and they had sharp fangs, unlike anything I'd ever seen before."

Soon other farmers in the [illegible] cows are normally peaceful eaters, but these cows seem to have acquired a taste for meat.

Animal expert Samuel Masters says, "It is very unusual for an animal to develop a taste for flesh. Perhaps this is a survival mechanism for the cows, and the sharp teeth are just a part of natural selection.

Four farmers have been reported killed by the cows to date.

[illegible] Dalgil's widow, Mrs. Angus Dalgil, claims, "Every morning I'm tending to my livestock with shotgun under both arms. I am at the point of [illegible] cows."

Many fear the bizarre occurrence could be the handiwork of [illegible] cattle rustlers who [illegible] cattle.

Experts say farmers should [illegible] on [illegible] and other devices to keep their animals [illegible].

"The cows are [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] cattle. Mr. Dalgil [illegible] cows have [illegible] the proper [illegible] claims.

My America

By ED ANGER

FORMER ENRON boss Kenneth Lay

LET CEOs LIE, CHEAT & STEAL!

That's what makes American businesses great, says Ed

I'm madder than an accountant with a broken paper shredder over all this fuss people are making about crooked corporate CEOs!

Everybody is getting so get-damned riled up just because a handful of the fat cat bosses of businesses like Enron have allegedly been raiding the banks.

A lot of your mushy pantywaists liberals have got their undies in such a knot over the notion that they want to pass a bunch of new rules and regulations to tie businessmen's arms behind their backs.

Bogwash. I say CEOs have every right to lie, cheat and steal. It's called capitalism, my friends, and that's what made our country great.

Do you think the old time business tycoons like J.P. Morgan got rich by dotting every "i" and crossing every "t"? You bet your sweet patootie they didn't, by jiminy.

There's a reason the history books call them robber barons. Sure. They willingly used double dealing, back-stabbing, flimflammery and every other dirty trick they could think of to build the greatest companies the world has ever known.

By jiminy. And there was no worrying about "illegal" monopolies like that tech computer nerd Bill Gates has to deal with.

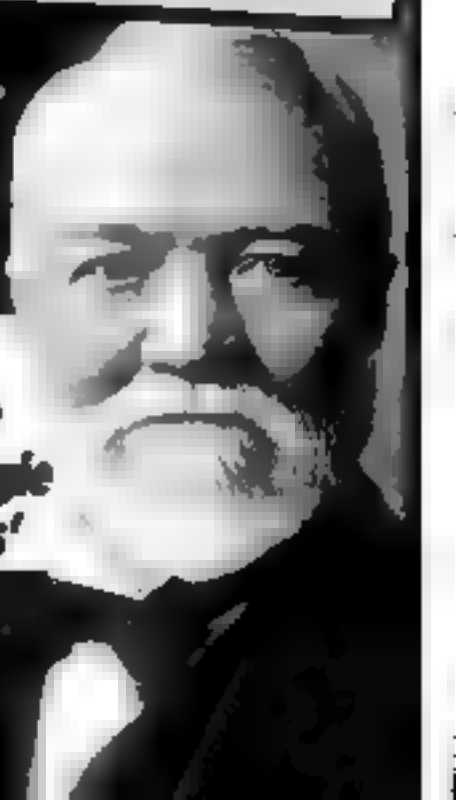
Did John D. Rockefeller bend some laws to elbow out his competition and get control of America's oil refineries? You're damned right!

And steel magnate Andrew Carnegie may have left plenty to charity, but back when he was alive, that Scottish skinflint knew how to play hardball when someone messed with his money.

One time, the workers at one of his steel mills got uppity and started striking. Old Andy got 8,000 national guardsmen on the case and before the shooting stopped, about 70 workers were dead or wounded.

You bet that little trick got everyone back to work in a hurry.

And legendary kingpin Joe Kennedy may be best known as the founder of the liberal Kennedy clan, but he got his start running booze during Prohibition.



HO HO HUMBUG: Most historians consider Andrew Carnegie brought in a 600 national guardsmen to stop a strike at one of his mills.

History calls great men like Andrew Carnegie 'robber barons'

regulations. If Enron were a bit bolder, they'd've set down when, dealing double crossing and stealing jobs for millions of unemployed Americans at the same time.

I am contrary to pursuing ill-conceived government regulations because we ought to let businessmen take their gloves off and do whatever the heck they please.

If they want to keep two sets of books — or three or four — let 'em. It doesn't have to be a few white lies to convince investors to invest in a company.

Let them do what it takes to get the job done. They know better than a bunch of fancy Washington lawyers who never even met a payroll.

That's Ed Anger's plan for fixing the economy. I swear, the way it's set up right now, this time next year the word crashes will be ridiculous and we'll have a big, fat cushion to ride on.

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By [illegible] Weekly World News

TROWBRIDGE, England — Trevor Slocum is the cleanest man in the world! In fact, the 43-year-old technical writer treasures cleanliness so much that he lives in his bathtub!

"I've spent most of my adult life extolling the virtues of clean living," confirmed the ultra-squeaky father of three as he kicked back in the porcelain tub that has been his office, dining room and bed for the past 20 years. "They say that cleanliness is next to godliness. If that's true, then I'm about as close to God as anyone is going to get because I take an average of 10 baths a day."

A clean freak all his life, Slocum realized one day that he was spending so much time in the bathtub washing up that it was easier just to live there. He expanded his bathroom to include a small entertainment center with TV and DVD player, installed a telephone line and constructed a light weight desktop that fits over the tub so he could work.

His wife, Kathleen, wasn't keen at first on the idea of her husband living in the bathtub, but quickly got used to it.

"Thankfully, we have three bathrooms in our home," Kathleen said.

"However, I don't spend nearly as much time in mine as Trevor does in his. I use my bathroom maybe 30 minutes a day tops. Trevor [illegible] 24 hours a

KATHLEEN Slocum

"The only time he leaves the tub is to use the toilet or to run an occasional work related errand. I even bring him his meals on the bathtub so he can eat while giving himself a good scrub."

Proving that she's the most understanding wife in the world, Kathleen even joins her husband in the tub several times a week for some frisky fun.

"All three of our children were conceived in the bathtub," Slocum admitted with a smile.

"It's quite romantic, actually. I light up the bathroom with several candles when Kathleen comes for a bath. Some people think sex is dirty, but it's always good, clean fun."

But while Kathleen has come to terms with her husband's cleanliness fetish, their teenage children aren't quite as understanding.

"I can't have friends over to visit because my father insists on greeting them from the bathtub," complained Slocum's 17-year-old daughter.

"It's really embarrassing because everyone thinks he's nuts. I love him dearly, but I wish he'd get out of the tub and live a normal life."

His son added: "My biggest complaint is that Dad uses all the hot water. In fact, I haven't had a really hot shower in years. With Dad taking up to ten baths a day, I'm lucky if I get a tepid trickle in the evening."

However, Slocum said living in the bathtub has done him a world of good, and he has no plans to permanently step out and dry off.

"I've never looked better or felt better," he declared as he rinsed off the suds of his fourth bath of the day.

"After my family, this tub is the most important thing in my life. In fact, I plan to be buried in

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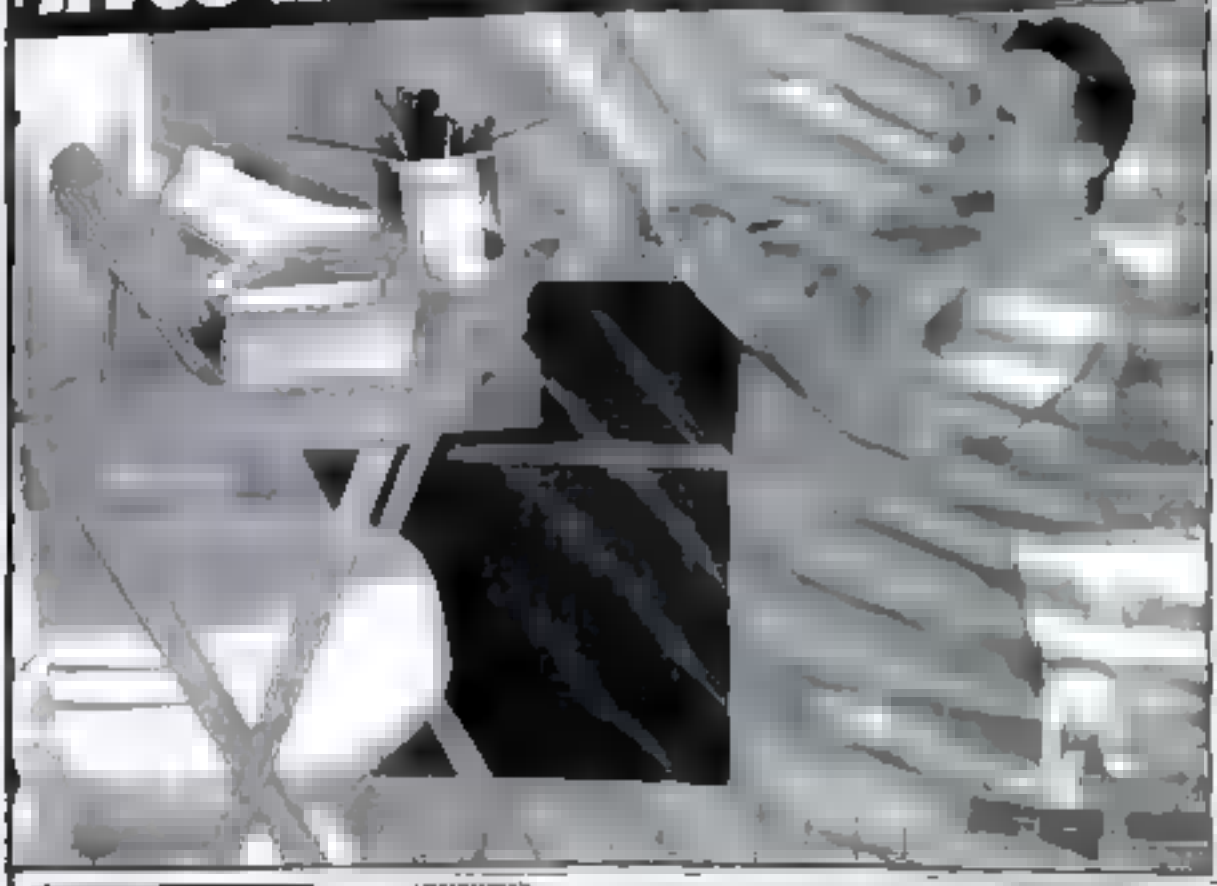
The experimental treatment backfired in a big way when his penis shrank and his shingles got worse, his bewildered doctors said.

They refuse to reveal the ingredients of the medication, but sources say they will try it on terminally

CLEANEST MAN

...lives in his bathtub 24/7!



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HOLY GRAIL TO BE AUCTIONED ON INTERNET

This Holy Grail, the cup said to have been used by Christ himself, is expected to fetch up to $6.5 million in an Internet auction.

By MICHAEL CHIRON
World Weekly News

Religious leaders protest peddling of sacred relic!

LONDON — Furious religious leaders and historians have launched a desperate crusade to prevent a wealthy collector from selling the Holy Grail over the Internet!

The ornately carved 2,000 year old silver chalice said to be the cup Christ drank from at the Last Supper is the most famous religious artifact in the world and experts are outraged that the priceless object will soon be traded in cyberspace like an ordinary collectible.

The cup, a vintage Egyptian Anglican and Jewish [illegible] the most sacred relic in Christendom, [illegible] British historian Harold Mahoney. It not only touched the lips of Christ, but is said to have held the holy blood after the crucifixion.

"Millions have queued for hours to see it, brave men have died for it over the centuries.

To treat it like a rare baseball card or a sports trophy is totally unacceptable."

But entrepreneur Billy Rathway, who purchased the Grail back in 1961, won't back down from his announced plan to offer the chalice for sale to the highest bidder on a popular Internet auction site starting September 1.

BILLY RATHWAY

"I paid ten dollars for the bloody thing and it's my property. I have every right to do what I want with it. Besides, I'm not doing anything illegal."

Over the centuries many [illegible] the legendary relic. Arthur.

The cup became a symbol of purity and courage.

For many years experts were convinced the Grail was stored somewhere [illegible] Glastonbury, England, believed to be the site where Joseph founded his church as well as the mystic [illegible] a descendant of Joseph of Arimathea — [illegible] across the [illegible] in her [illegible] [illegible] years later Rathway purchased it for $25,000.

Experts believe that the [illegible] could [illegible] as much as $6.5 million.

[illegible] historians were [illegible] at the [illegible] Geraldine [illegible] [illegible] blue ribbon panel ruled that it is likely the [illegible] artifact.

Space aliens stampede 400 sheep to their death!

SPACE aliens are [illegible] for causing the death and mutilation of cattle, but they've left sheep pretty much alone — until now. Officials in France say 400 sheep leaped off a cliff in what appeared to be a [illegible] attempted to escape a [illegible] UFO!

The [illegible] occurred [illegible] when the [illegible] flying saucer hovered the mountainous area near Mercantour National Park in southeastern France, eyewitnesses say.

While [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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lives in his bathtub 24/7!

Sea Cow ORGY

on a public beach!

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Half a dozen lab coats swam naked and unrestrained in huge pen area, wrapping and even chasing partners at communal beachgoers hosted on by tourists.

"Wildlife specialists rushed to the scene trying to avoid contact, just in time to prevent a total group of partially clothed bathing on the mammals' open mating session.

The mob of perverts was not pleased, and many pledged never to visit the beach again — with an unhappy mob attitude.

"Boca Raton is a family community, and this public display of sex was unacceptable and no place here," said one person.

Said one spectator, "Sometimes we are encouraged against and we must sincerely encourage this behavior, no matter how objectionable some may find it."

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Outrage in Christendom!

HOLY GRAIL TO BE AUCTIONED ON INTERNET

THE Holy Grail, the cup said to have been used by Christ himself, is expected to fetch up to $65 million in an Internet auction.

By MICHAEL CHILTON
Weekly World News

Religious leaders protest peddling of sacred relic!

LONDON — Furious religious leaders and historians have launched a desperate crusade to prevent a wealthy collector from selling the Holy Grail over the Internet!

The ornately carved, 2,000-year-old silver chalice, said to be the cup Christ drank from at the Last Supper, is the most famous religious artifact in the world and experts are outraged that the priceless object will soon be traded in cyberspace like an ordinary collectible.

"This isn't a vintage Raggedy Ann doll or a Brady Bunch lunchbox — it's the most sacred relic in Christendom," declares British historian Harold Morleby. "It not only touched the lips of Christ, but is said to have held His holy blood after the crucifixion.

"Knights have questing for it, brave men have died for it over the centuries.

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BILLY RATHWAY

But entrepreneur Billy Rathway, who purchased the Grail back in 1983, won't back down from his announced plan to offer the chalice for sale to the highest bidder on a popular Internet auction site starting September 1.

"I paid top dollar for the bloody thing and it's mine to do with as I please," the flamboyant Cockney millionaire told a reporter.

Rathway, who made his fortune in the fast-food industry, said he will auction the Grail to the highest bidder in a sealed-bid auction.

Experts believe the Grail could fetch as much as $65 million.

Morleby and other religious leaders are furious that the priceless relic will be sold to the highest bidder.

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OZZY OSBOURNE FOR U.S. PRESIDENT?

INTEREST in shocking the potty-mouthed singer for the chief executive nomination began soon after the hit TV show The Osbournes made Ozzy and his flamboyant family household names throughout America.

By MIKE MORSE

LOS ANGELES — "Hail To The Chief" could soon become "Hell To The Chief," if a determined and growing group of hard-rocking politicos have anything to do with it.

A grass roots movement is afoot to draft heavy metal rock legend Ozzy Osbourne as the next Democratic presidential nominee despite his residency for nearly thirty years and the fact that he was born a naturalized citizen of Great Britain.

Even as he struggled with [illegible] Ozzy Osbourne [illegible] Democratic [illegible] Democratic [illegible] Democratic

Dear Dotti

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN ADVICE COLUMNIST

Prude wife won't let me videotape our sex romps!

Dear Dotti: I've been trying to talk my wife into letting me videotape us "doing it." But she really won't let me. I don't know why, but she thinks I'll do something awful with the tape such as make copies for the guys, put it on the internet or burn some CDs of it for friends. Maybe she thinks I'll make her naked body a screen saver for my computer at the office. Who knows? It's crazy that she thinks that. I really want her to [redacted] just for us, you know, to bring us closer. I'm just [redacted] of her. — Video [redacted] in Houston.

Dear Video: Sounds like you put a lot of thought into this. If I were your wife, I wouldn't let you come within 10 feet of me with a video camera. Leave the porn to the professionals, pervert!

No one can stop me from yakking on my cell phone while I'm driving!

Dear Dotti: Where does the government get off telling me I can't talk on the cell phone in my own car? Many states are now outlawing the use of hand-held cell phones while driving. I say cell phones are completely safe! I am perfectly capable of talking on the phone and driving at the same time. I've had a major accident yet! I don't want the government telling me when and where I can make my personal calls. Help me get the word out! — Cell Guy in Orange

Dear Cell Guy: Gosh, like you make the rest of us hope cell phones really do cause brain cancer. You're an accident waiting to happen.

I want to spread my seed — not my money!

Dear Dotti: I am 42, married and have three wonderful kids. My sex life with my wife is very good. I have no complaints at all. But I have these urges. I desire other women. I have an instinctual desire to procreate, but I can't afford more babies! Every woman I see makes me feel like I am in heat. What can I do? — Horny in Nashville

Dear Horny: Last year, my dog had the same problem, and we had him spayed. Sounds like you could use a trip to the vet yourself.

Shouldn't I have gotten over my ex-hubby by now?

Dear Dotti: My husband and I have divorced after 15 years of marriage. It was a very bitter divorce with hard feelings. He was a lazy lout, who constantly gambled away his pay check. What he didn't gamble away, he'd drink away. He never remembered my birthday, our anniversary or the holidays. He was a poor lover and a lousy provider. Now that the divorce is final, don't you think I should be able to move on and get over these bitter feelings? — Newly Divorced in Rochester

Dear Newly: No way, honey. You put up with his crapola for more than 15 years — you've got a right [redacted] wallow in doomsayings for a while. That way, you'll be ready to show the next jerk who comes along the [redacted] out of a [redacted].

I'm old enough to be their father — that's Hollywood!

Dear Dotti: I'm an actor who regularly gets to do love scenes with women much younger than myself. Critics are starting to say it's making them nauseous. I happen to think that I'm carrying on a grand old Hollywood tradition of older men making it with younger women. Look at Clark Gable and Doris Day, Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly, Bogart and Bacall or Woody Allen and pretty much anyone. Plus, I can tell the ladies love being with me. Why am I catching so much flack over this? — Major Motion Picture Star in L.A.

Dear Major: One thing you can say about the young actresses today — they're not that bright, so they just might be dumb enough to fall for a guy like you. Either that, or [redacted] are good enough actresses to make you believe that they think you're hot.

Goody communion party really irks me!

Dear Dotti: I was invited to a neighbor's communion party last week. I couldn't believe my eyes! It was a mini-wedding! Their daughter arrived at the ceremony in a white stretch limousine. She wore a dress and veil that looked like a wedding gown. At the party afterward, there was a 10-piece band and a chicken mean. How do I mention to my neighbor that the whole affair was a bit ostentatious? — Mom in Brooklyn

Dear Mom: If your neighbors [redacted] that much money on a party, who are you to say one thing about it? Look at it this way — you got a [redacted] meal out of it.

My [redacted] is [redacted], [redacted] is great, and the kids left home early!

[redacted]: My wife loves to wear sexy outfits, but she never leaves the house. I just got a new desk at work, and it's much big[redacted] than my old one. My kids [redacted] got it in their heads that they were [redacted] and ran off searching for their biological parents. I don't have a question, I just felt like sharing. — Having a Good Day in Denver.

Dear Good Day: You don't have a question? Then why did you write? Sheesh!

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Testy in Iowa: Ah, if they ask for two #2 pencils that doesn't mean you can bring four #1 pencils.

Dear Mrs. Couch Potato in Lansing: Yes, most husbands do sit in front of the TV for long periods of his pulse. Just to be sure.

Dear Failing Kidney in Utah: Sorry, sweetie. I don't donate organs. Ask your brother.

Dear Master of Your Domain in Maine: No, you won't go blind, but at your rate, you might want to have your eyes checked.

Dear Scissor-Hands in Detroit: Paper beats rock. Always did, always will.

Dear Lydia in Lyndhurst: Sure, get a tattoo. It'll make it easier to identify the body down the road.

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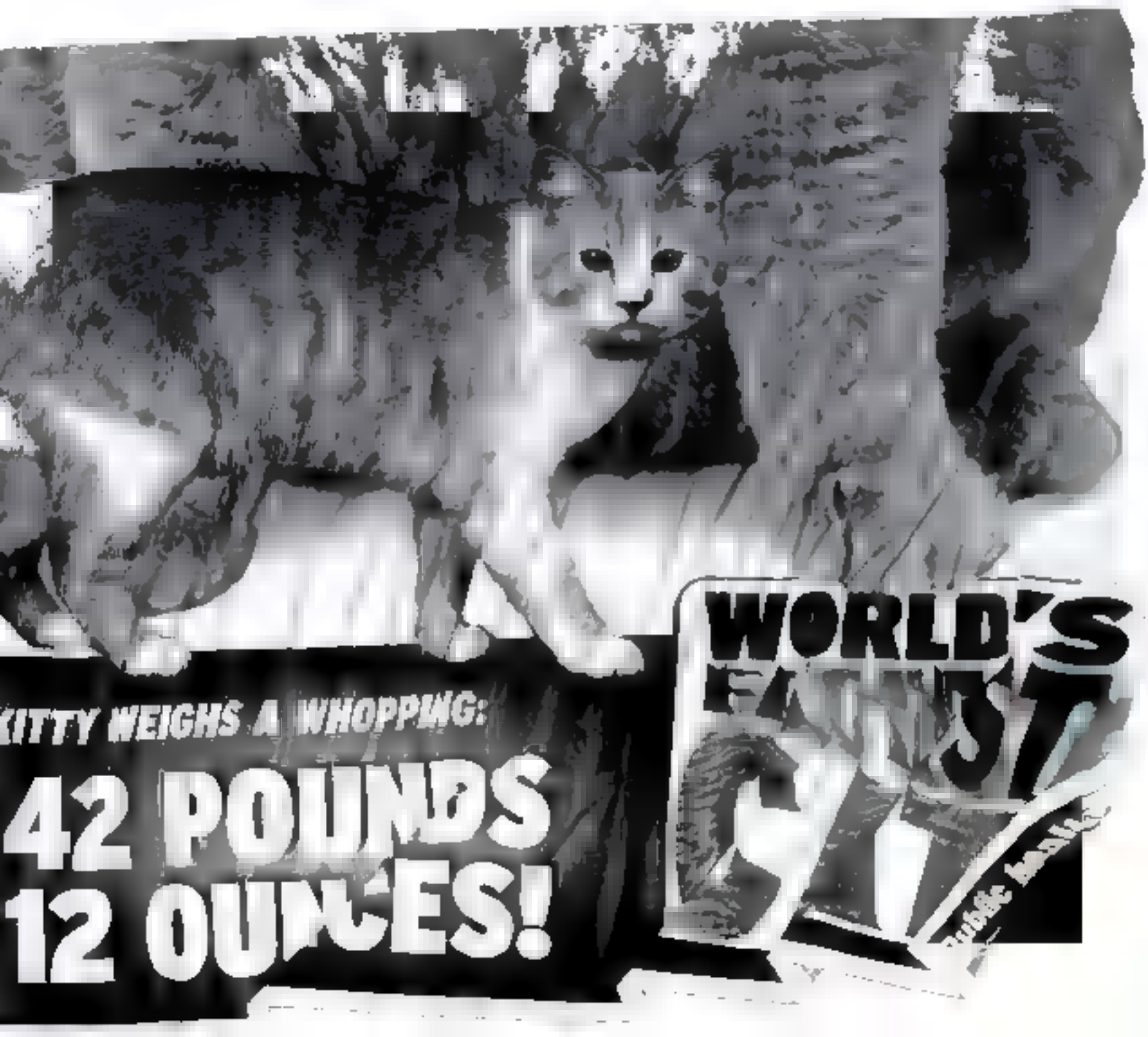
Alison figured out the exact weight of the rubby tubby — an incredible 42 pounds, 13 ounces, which is more than five times the size of the average house cat. She wins the $500 prize and the world admires her cat fanciers everywhere.

Weekly World News would like to thank the tens of thousands of sharp-eyed readers who took a guess at Tubby's weight. Keep reading for more feel-good tales on the Rubby Tubby and other amazing pets.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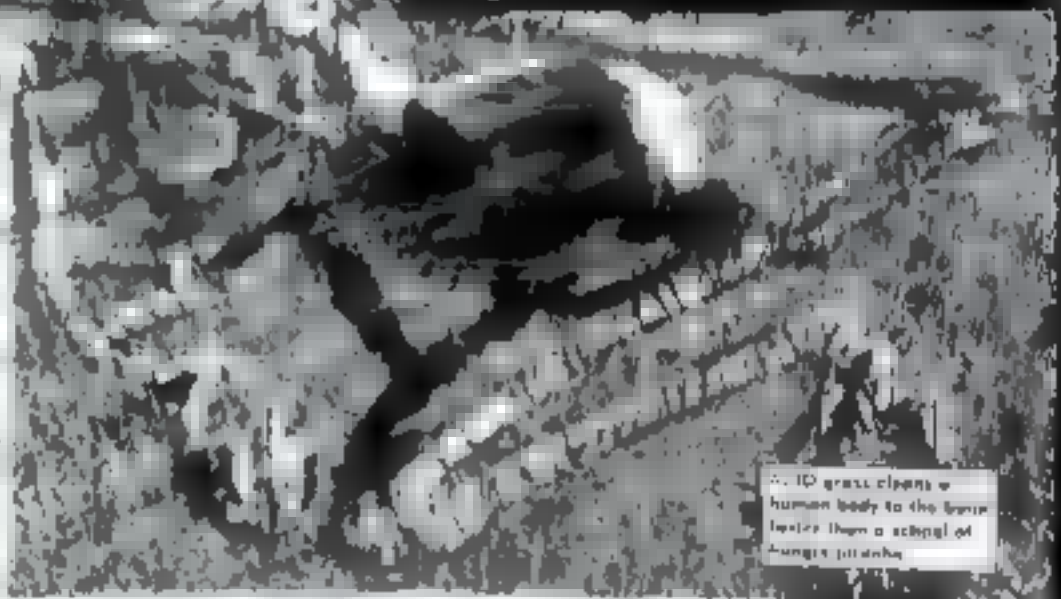

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Once Nance hobbled to the safety of his driveway, he discovered that he and his slippers were the only victims of the carnivorous lawn.

"The stuff destroyed our mailbox, ate right through plastic, even my Bronco trailer," he lamented.

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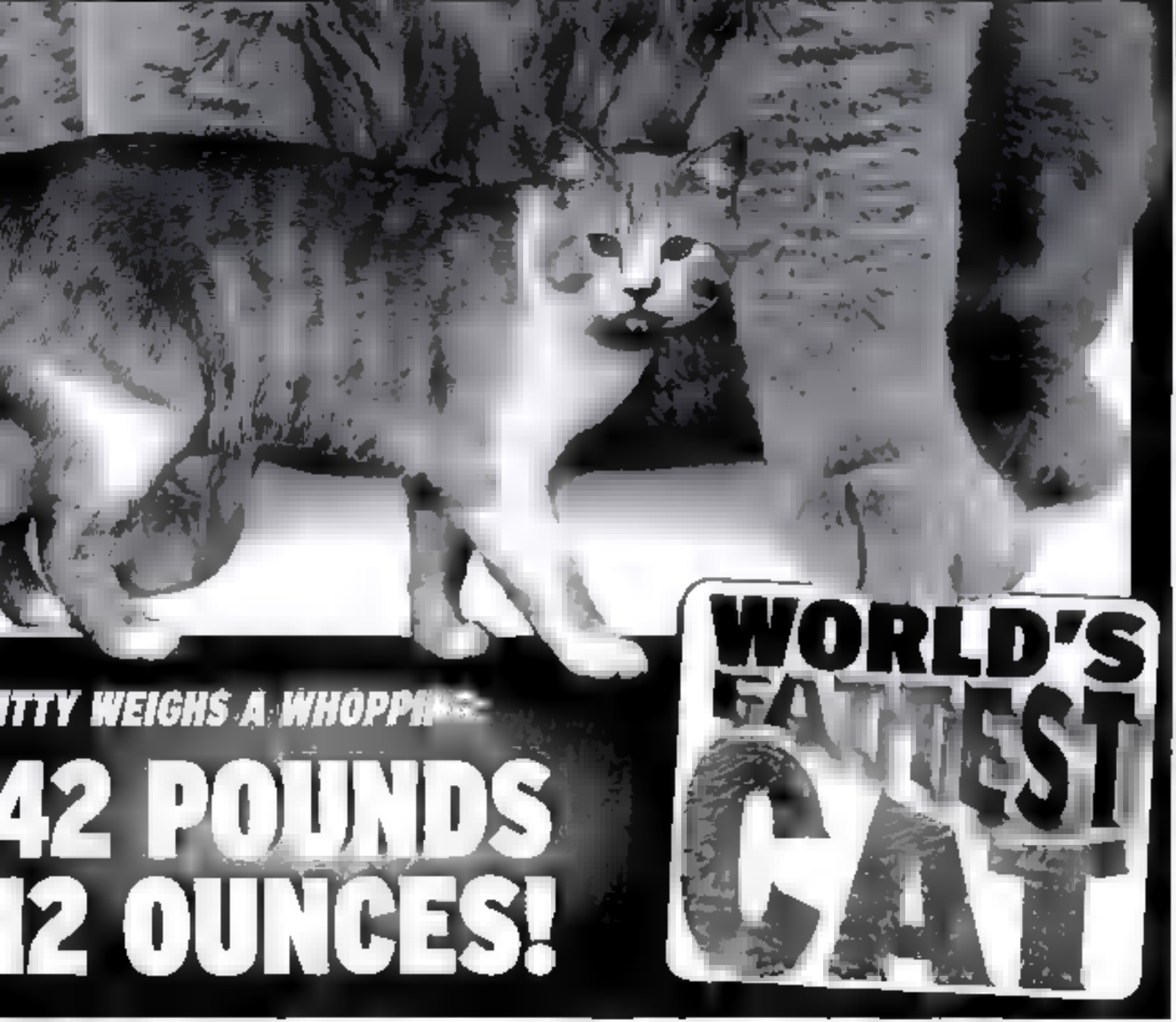
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REDDING, Calif. — Suburbanites in northern California are falling victim to a bizarre strain of grass that eats through almost anything it touches ... leather, rubber, even human skin!

Over 50 people have been treated for injuries resulting from walking on this toxic turf, and experts fear that hundreds more, perhaps thousands, will be affected in the upcoming weeks. To that end, municipalities in the area are rushing to erect "Keep Off The Grass" signs in public parks, golf courses and anywhere else the dangerous grass might be growing.

ARTHUR Nance

Arthur Nance, a resident of nearby Cottonwood, Calif., is recuperating from second degree burns on the soles of his feet caused by the mystery flora.

"I walked out on my lawn one morning to check my mailbox, and I started to smell something burning," says the accountant from his hospital bed at Redding General. "I looked down to see that the grass had eaten through my slippers and was starting to eat my feet."

Nance published in the safety of his driveway, he discovered that he and his slippers were not the only victims of his overactive lawn.

"The stuff destroyed our mailbox, ate right through the metal post, my shovel, rake! " he lamented.

Experts are unsure of the cause of this potentially deadly strain of grass. Some horticulturists are theorizing that the unusual plant life is the result of acid rain.

Those believe that the sulfur in acid rain, caused when smoke and gases given off by fossil fuels are released into the environment, have caused the grass to mutate into the devastating vegetation currently infesting northern California.

Until the origin of this terrain can be determined, authorities advise all nature lovers to be on alert.

"We just came up with a slogan to remind people of the danger of walking on grass," says a town official from hard hit Redding. "If it's green, it may be mean."

By MIKE MORSE

ACID grass leaves a horrible mess in its wake, faster than a school of hungry piranha.

ENERGY PLANT RUNS ON POOP POWER!

THE POOP of 5,000 cows is being turned into electricity to light up homes, schools, hospitals and even a swimming pool.

The electricity is created at a new power plant in London, which relies entirely on the bovine bowel movements. The poop is harnessed as it generates methane gas, which is then burned to produce electricity.

Enough from 20 dairy farms is dumped at the plant, which puts out power for the south coast of Devon.

A bonus is that after the

FAST WOMEN MAKE MEN SLOW — TO MARRY!

RESEARCHERS say guys are putting off getting married because they're having a ball — and their girlfriends are too rash!

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[illegible] ers in today's [illegible] market.

The men also admit they're just enjoying the single life and don't want to settle down.

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Weekly World News exclusive: The WORLD'S BIGGEST CROSSWORD!

'Dual personalities' dispute!

WACKY GAL GETS BOOB JOB — ON ONE BREAST

Her wild side wanted it — her boring side didn't!

By JEFFREY L. GURIAN
Weekly World News

HEIDI SADIE'S clothing is drastically altered to reflect the opposite poles of one of her split personalities

RALEIGH, N.C. — Heidi Snackle has a split personality — and now she has the body to match it! The loopy, lopsided lady got a breast implant on one side of her body, but left the other side untouched.

Snackle, 32, has two opposing personalities, and after cosmetic surgery, her body now reflects her two sides.

Her right half is sex maven Sadie, her left, a money librarian known as Heidi.

Sadie, a dominatrix, insisted Heidi cooperate while her right boob was transformed from a 32-inch A-cup to a voluptuous 40 double D.

"I wanted men to notice me," says Sadie in a raspy Mae West drawl.

"She's so naughty," whispers the embarrassed Heidi, adding that she is definitely getting noticed now. The gal with the melancholy matronly is garnering far more attention than she ever imagined.

"Everywhere I go men shout out lewd and crude comments." Heidi laments. Saucy Sadie welcomes the attention.

"I love having so many men stare at my chest," Sadie purrs. "I'm a one breasted wonder."

Dr. Walter Mistroff

Dressing is a challenge for the girls. Sadie likes her Daisy Dukes and bright red lipstick while Heidi prefers more modest attire such as casual jeans. And things really get interesting when Sadie goes on the prowl for a date.

"When Sadie picks up a guy in a bar, Heidi looks on, horrified and red faced."

The two personalities have always had trouble getting along, but they really hit a big bump in the road when Sadie decided to get breast implants.

Sadie says, "I wanted to have big boobs, so I could stand out at the beach."

But demure Heidi wouldn't hear of it. "I would never put my body on display like that. I don't even wear a thong."

Dr. Walter Mistroff, a leading plastic surgeon, explains what happened next.

"Ms. Snackle came to my office seeming very confused. The right side of her mouth requested a breast augmentation, while the left side of her mouth fought against it. I was amazed to see that she was split personality. I tried to convince her not to go larger than a C-cup. The right side of her mouth insisted on a DD cup, and wouldn't hear of anything less. I had no choice but to do what the patient requested."

Now that Sadie has a lot more bounce in her step, her style of dress has become even more daring. Heidi is mortified.

"All that jiggling makes me dizzy," she says. "No one looks us in the eye anymore."

But Sadie reports she's perfectly comfortable with the results, and just wishes her left side would come around to her way of thinking.

"Someday I hope we can

Watch out for falling cows!

A WOMAN almost got flattened when a cow fell on her car — from 15 feet above!

Sources say the 36-year-old woman and her husband were driving through a farming area in Austria. The country drive [illegible] when a cow fell on top of the hill.

Just as the couple came out the other side of the tunnel, the cow fell off the hillside and onto their car.

The woman went to the hospital with [illegible] and chest injuries. Her husband wasn't

Serena Sabak

AMERICA'S SE[illegible] PSYCHIC

Wife says I'm cheating 'cause my ring is gone

Dear Serena: Recently I put my wedding ring in my desk drawer at work so that I could go service some machinery safely. When I returned, it was gone. I'm very upset and my wife doesn't believe it's been stolen. She thinks I took it off because I'm seeing someone and didn't want this "mystery woman" to know I'm married.

I don't know how anyone would think that. I have a deep indentation and tan line on my hand from it. At any rate, it looks like I'm in deep you-know-what if I don't get it back. Can you tell me who stole it, and whether or not I have a chance to get it back? Or should I just hightail down and buy a new one? — Wringing my Hands in Del Mar

Dear Wringing: My crystal ball tells me that you've not being completely honest in your letter. Your wife's suspicions are correct. However, I'll tell you where your ring is. It's in the right mine pocket of your blue jeans — exactly where you slipped it before starting your hot girlfriend for a "welcome back" kiss. Now, cut her loose and your ring can go and take your wife out to dinner after reading this. I do see a happy long-term ending for both of you if you mend your philandering ways. If not, I only see heartache and regrets, as partially for you.

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Dear Serena: Three years ago, my doctor put me on Prozac — and it saved my life. Since then, I've been able to move away from an abusive relationship, my kids are happier, I have a better job, and I'm not worried about losing it. However, my new boyfriend is into Psychic and New Age thinking. He says Prozac is a spiritual bypass and I should stop taking it, and take some of his herbal concoctions instead. I want to keep him in my life but I'm afraid to stop taking Prozac, and I'm afraid to not do what he wants because I might lose him. He's the best man I've ever known. What should I do? — Down in the Dumps in Castle Rock

Dear Down in the Dumps: Your new boyfriend may subscribe to New Age thinking on the surface but he's a control freak underneath. Securing long-term happiness means some short-term pain by ending this relationship on your terms. Say goodbye, and you'll meet Mr. Right in less than eight weeks.

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Dear Serena: This may sound crazy, but I'm a loyal reader so I feel comfortable asking you about it. I was recently promoted at work and moved to a larger office. But the man who worked in the office before me died himself in it and it's been vacant for months. When I work late at night, the lights flicker on and off for no apparent reason, and I sometimes feel a sudden chill — but only from behind my desk. I've even found my files and desktop rearranged when I return to work in the morning, though I have the only key. My co-workers joke that the office is ruined by the dead man's spirit, but it's not a laughing matter to me anymore. — Spooked in New York

Dear Spooked: Your office is indeed haunted by the ghost of the man who killed himself. The spirit is troubled, but not dangerous. He was extremely unhappy while living and only needs some cleansing in order to move on to the next Light Level. Pick a time of night when no one is there and perform the following simple ceremony. You will need four yellow flowers — daisies, sunflowers or roses — a clear crystal and a moonstone and a white candle and incense of any scent. Place the crystal and moonstone equally seven inches apart on your desk. Place the flowers between them in a clear glass vase. Light the candle and incense, stand behind your desk and chant: "Spirit you are forgiven. You have permission to leave my building. It is time to rest. May your path be blessed. Walk with ease through the heavenly air. Go now, and know you are loved." You should have no problems after this.

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Afraid in Alvin: My crystal ball says that you need to come clean with your husband about your credit card debt. Your honesty will pay off by next month.

Struggling in Cold Lake: The urge you feel to fight up will be gone by the time fall moves

THIS WEEK'S SIX LUCKIEST LOTTO NUMBERS

Weekly World News has purchased exclusive rights to the world's most powerful computer — and we use it to pick the six luckiest lottery numbers every week!

The Swiss-built computer, called Bright Green, has the ability to calculate which lottery numbers are most likely to come up each week, based on previous performances and established tendencies. The numbers are good for the week Weekly World News is on the newsstand.

The computer scans all numbers selected in lotteries across America over the past year to provide a statistical base for predicting future results. More value is given to the most recently selected numbers.

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What's your secret message from the Fortune Cookie this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 13.

Now take the result and find your key letter in the word ORIENT above. Starting at the upper left corner of the box at left, check each one of your key letters as it appears from left to right. The letters found each of [illegible]

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25 Make from scratch
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38 Locales
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36 Spicy sausage
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40 Pigtail
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51 Gone afterward
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181 One of the five senses
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171 Lots of land
174 Hop, — and a jump
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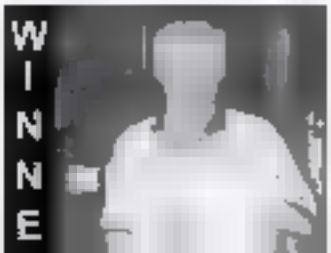

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SHRUNKEN HEAD OF JIMMY HOFFA FOUND — in a Florida souvenir shop!

By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Weekly World News

PONTIAC, Mich. — Twenty-seven years after his mysterious disappearance from a Michigan restaurant, Jimmy Hoffa has been found — as a shrunken head!

The legendary Labor leader's shriveled leathery wrinkled 3-inch noggin was purchased for $22.95 by a retired teamster of a Miami souvenir shop on Tuesday.

Guy Tarbet says he nearly fainted the first time he saw the grotesque trophy.

"My wife and I were shopping for presents for the grandkids when I saw this ghastly little shrunken head at the back of the store. I thought it was one of those fake rubber ones at first, but when I looked closer I went to my wife and said, 'Jimmy Hoffa! It's a shrunken head!' I couldn't believe my eyes."

JIMMY Hoffa, infamous former head of the Teamsters, disappeared mysteriously.

Tarbet, 73, says he paid cash for Hoffa's head but it was still wrapped, and a lawyer over it and took it back home to Michigan where he promptly called the FBI about his find.

FBI bureau experts have compared DNA from Hoffa's hair found in the car in which he took his last ride. They say that it's a match.

"It's Hoffa all right.

FORMER Tennessee boss Guy Tarbet

The odds of someone finding one of the most powerful men in the world are about one in 10 billion — just as FBI spokesman Thomas Bresson is considering the case, a bizarre postscript is about to be added.

Anthropologists have now finished the process used to shrink the head, which from a native South American Indian tribe of headhunters. How he got there and then back here is a larger part of the mystery, says the FBI.

Hoffa disappeared on July 30, 1975, as the subject of a massive FBI investigation involving a 20-volumes of files that were 10 feet long. He was declared legally dead in 1982. However, about his body's location, many theories have been put forward.

But with the shrunken head popping up in a Florida souvenir shop, the words of mob deserter Sal Briguglio, Charles "Sam" Giancana's partner in crime with Hoffa, now seem to ring true. In a sworn affidavit to a U.S. Senate committee that Hoffa was killed on Mafia orders and that his body was ground up in a pig's slaughterhouse in Florida and thrown into a swamp.

The Florida store owners says he understand the head and other bizarre items including mummified monkey paws, dried bat dead ones who also was a prominent voodoo priest in the greater Miami area.

"The tattoo, the head came from a

FOUND in a souvenir shop by a tourist, this shrunken head was proven to be the former Teamsters boss

time ago. I was the shopkeeper. My uncle used it for some ceremonies, but I never told that member, until I put it up for sale after he died. So Tarbet bought it from me for just under $1 bucks."

FBI investigators outside of a handful of facts the price, but how and why the head came to be shrunken and where the rest of Hoffa's body is remains a mystery.

Jimmy's real resting anything," says one investigator. "The lips are literally sewn shut."

MYSTERY MAN SHOOTING FOLKS AT RANDOM WITH BLOW DARTS!

SUMMONS, FL is attacking people with dangerous blow darts, and cops are baffled about who could be doing it — or why.

"I can't recall that we've had such an outbreak before," says Sgt. Joe Gentile, spokesman for police in Washington, D.C.

Cops are tracking 11 cases in which people have been stuck with four-inch metal darts while walking down the street or waiting at bus stops. The darts seem to come out of nowhere to hit people in their arms, backs, stomachs and butts. Luckily, no one has been seriously hurt.

Cops are awaiting test results from the FBI crime lab, which is

DOPE OF THE WEEK

COPS NAB CONFUSED CAR THIEF

— because he couldn't open locked car's doors from inside!

BREAKING in was no problem for a guy who tried to steal a car, seemingly to cops. But then he got locked inside — and couldn't get out!

Lawmen say the 31-year-old man had broken into the car when its owner's alarm triggered a security device that locked all the doors instead of just letting the intruder out. But really unlock the doors, the confused crook stayed in the car.

Cops say he was hiding in the back seat when they arrived on the scene. They charged him with burglary.

Maybe he needs a new line of work. Now a spokesman for the sheriff's office in Alachua County, Fla., the suspect was good at what he's doing now.

DOPERS CALL COPS ON THEMSELVES!

A HOMEGROWN pot operation went bust when cops got tipped off to it — with a call from someone living in the house!

Cops in Ontario, Canada, say someone trying to sell ALL the telephone information called the 911 emergency line by mistake. The caller hung up right away, but police went to the home to make sure everything was O.K.

No one answered the door, so the officers went in through the unlocked basement — and say they found marijuana plants growing there.

They arrested the home's owner and charged him with production and possession of a controlled substance.

COMPUTER GAVE LITTLE GIRL A SWOLLEN LIP!

JOKING around with a computer scanner, 11-year-old Catherine Simpson of Ipswich, England, tried to take a photo of her face — and had to be rescued when her lip got stuck in it!

Little Catherine survived the ordeal with a fat lip and a major case of embarrassment.

Her mom says unlike new scanners, the family has an old-style scanner with a roller — which suddenly grabbed

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SHY TO BUY CONDOMS?

A multinational corporation has come out with a whopping size XXL condom — but can't sell a single one in England because it turns out the Brits just aren't rich enough to buy them!

Unsuspecting punters of the Continental brand birth control device say their wallets are now home to a skilled mosquito of unusual size.

The 4-inch long condoms have been selling like hot cakes over in France and the rest of Europe. But the big rush about it is still trigger happy Brits are too shy to head to store clerks.

"We reckon 20 percent of British men need this big condom but they don't seem to have the nerve to ask for them," marketing guru for Victorian Wellington Corporation

Sicko thieves frisk corpse in funeral parlor!

WEREDOUBT, France — Thieves frisked the body of a 78-year-old man as he lay stiff and cold in his casket.

The perverted pilferers broke into a funeral parlor looking for stuff to steal.

Sources say they

Pet duck victim of food plot

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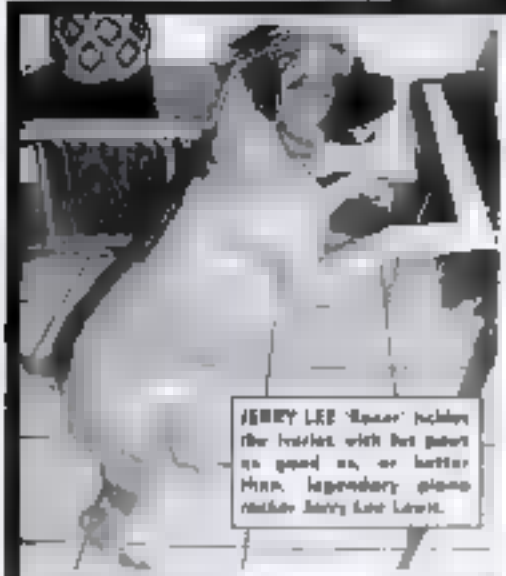
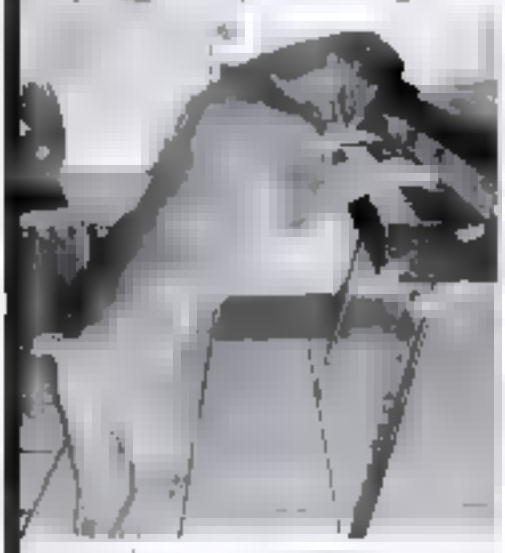
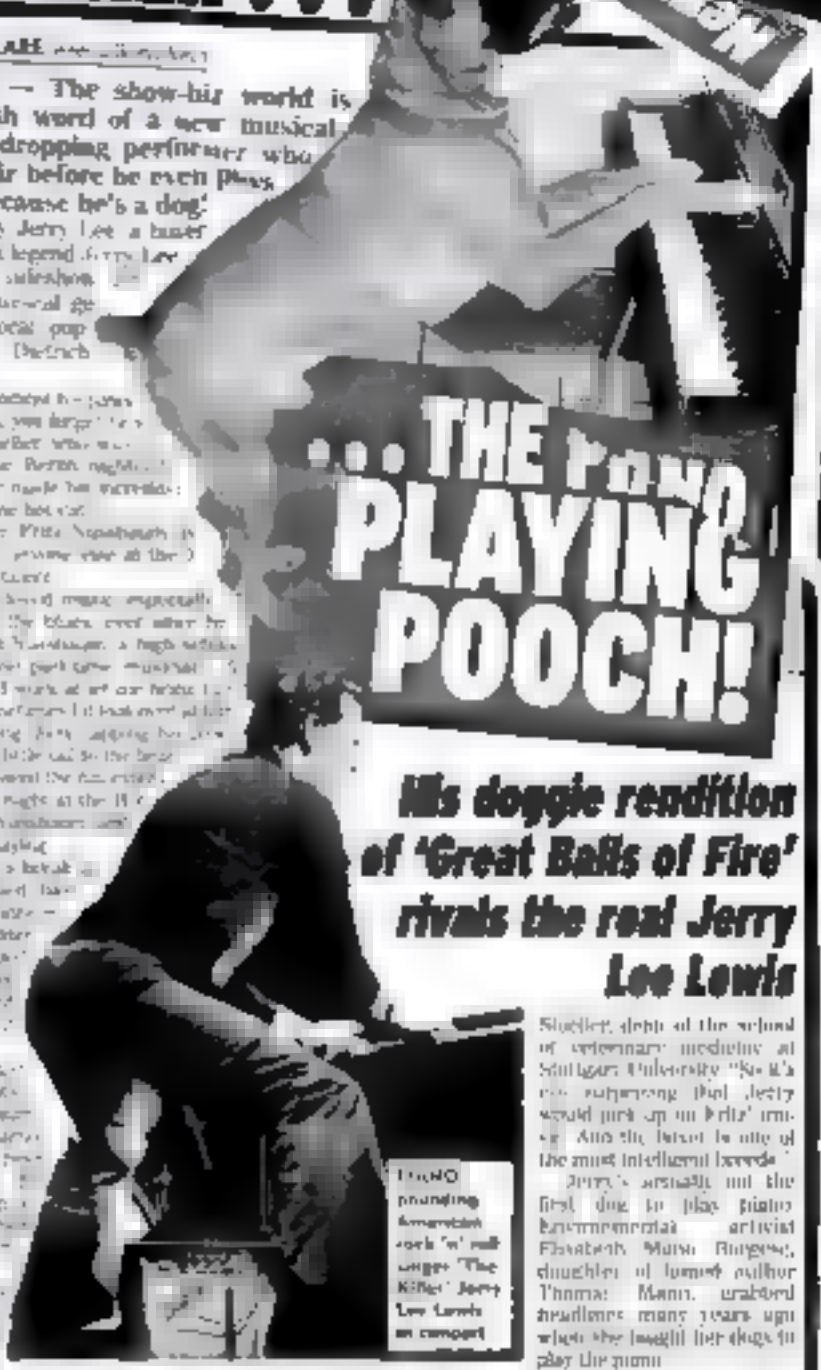


JERRY LEE 'Boxer' tickles the ivories with his paws as good as, or better than, legendary piano rocker Jerry Lee Lewis.





. . . THE PIANO PLAYING POOCH!

His doggie rendition of 'Great Balls of Fire' rivals the real Jerry Lee Lewis

By KATE McCLARE

BERLIN — The show-biz world is buzzing with word of a new musical star, a jaw-dropping performer who creates a stir before he even plays a note — because he's a dog.

But fans say Jerry Lee, a boxer named for rock legend Jerry Lee Lewis, is no imitation. He's a true musical genius, awards local pop music writer Dietrich Mueller.

[illegible] the musical [illegible] but the keyboard, you forget he's a dog. And Dietrich was there the crowd — the Berlin night... where Jerry Lee made his incredible debut. "He is one hot cat."

Jerry's owner, Fritz Neuenhaus, is as astounded as anyone else at the 3 year old hound's talent.

"He's always loved music, especially [illegible] and the blues, ever since he was a pup. I took Neuenhaus, a high school math teacher, and part time musician, to one of the clubs I work at and our friends [illegible] and we'd [illegible] Jerry Lee playing [illegible] and wagging his tail to the beat.

Jerry Lee showed the [illegible] of his talent one night at the [illegible] Dapper, where Neuenhaus [illegible] on hand to [illegible]

"We were on a break [illegible] the bar [illegible] Dietrich Mueller — [illegible] of a master — Jerry Lee jumped up on the piano bench and started banging out [illegible] Balls of Fire.'

"The place [illegible] went nuts," recalled Neuenhaus. "Everybody started whistling and cheering me, and then [illegible] Jerry Lee got up [illegible] stage and started [illegible] swinging with him. It was wild."

"It was one [illegible] the most exciting [illegible] musical nights of my [illegible] Mueller declares. "Now I know how it felt to be here in Berlin when the Beatles hit it big."

Since that spectacular night, Jerry Lee has become the toast of Berlin. He's booked to wow crowds at nightclubs all over the city and Great Balls of Fire has

TECHNO pounding American rock 'n' roll singer "The Killer" Jerry Lee Lewis in concert

[illegible] Jerry Lee gets a good time while [illegible] every show. He [illegible] a few paws [illegible] before we figured that one out."

Learning the experts [illegible] that Jerry's talent was [illegible] to [illegible] the manner.

"Dogs often pattern themselves after their masters — they

Stuttgart, dean of the school of veterinary medicine at Stuttgart University. "So it's not surprising that Jerry would pick up on Fritz' music. Also the breed is one of the most intelligent breeds."

Jerry's assault on the first dog to play piano [illegible] artivist Elisabeth Mann Borgese, daughter of famed author Thomas Mann, [illegible] headlines many years ago when she taught her dogs to play the piano.

Neuenhaus said he's negotiating with a manager, a recording company and a record label on Jerry Lee's behalf. And he's considering several lucrative offers for a European concert tour.

"They were calling [illegible] me [illegible] him, open for a Three Dog Night reunion," Fritz said, "but

New crisis in Cuba:

CASTRO'S CIGARS WON'T STAY LIT!

By MIKE FORSYTH
Weekly World News

Four years, the only thing poverty-riddled communist Cuba has been able to brag about is its much-sought-after cigars. But now experts say even those have gone up in smoke!

Frustrated connoisseurs complain that the world-famous cigars are now being rolled so tightly, they've become almost impossible to light — and when they do catch fire, they often extinguish themselves halfway through.

Consumers are so fed up with high-priced cigars that go out mid-puff that international sales have plummeted a whopping 15 percent.

The problem has gotten so out of hand that stogie-chomping strongman Fidel Castro has overlooked his pride — and turned to France to save his struggling cigar industry.

A top French expert named Alain Foucher has been recruited as the new quality control manager, according to industry reports.

Why do Cuban cigars, once the envy of the world, suddenly light so hard?

Some experts blame new tobacco plants that produce lighter, thinner leaves.

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Pope's secret new plan:

By MIKE FOSTER/Weekly World News

SEND PERVERT PRIESTS TO CANNIBALS

ROME — The Catholic Church has reportedly cooked up a bold new secret plan to get rid of America's pedophile priests: Ship them off as missionaries to cannibal-infested jungles!

Pope John Paul II has quietly signed off on the no-nonsense program, which could go into effect as early as next month, insiders say.

"Americans were shocked to learn about the widespread molestation of children at the hands of Catholic priests," said a reliable source at the Vatican. "The Holy Father has been trying to find a way of quietly dispatching these disgusting perverts — permanently."

In the program, un-cloistered clergymen will be told they're being transferred to volunteer-only work in remote places such as Borneo, Papua New Guinea, the Amazon rain forest and parts of Africa — but will have no idea it's a one-way trip.

"They'll think they got all excited and were really looking forward to a 'vacation' in a tropical paradise," explained the source. "But believe me, this is no vacation."

In cases of the most inhumane sexual abuse by Vatican wrongdoers, cardinals in on the conspiracy will have only days before ending up on the main ingredient in what cannibals call "long pig" stew.

"Some of these savage cannibal tribes might actually jump at the chance of going abroad, thinking that in the jungle they'll be able to eat those that are sexual predators without the government looking over their shoulders. But the closest they'll ever get to another child is inside the belly of some smiling headhunter's feast," said the source.

In the 15th century, it was common for the Catholic Church to dispose of rogue priests by sending them to dangerous, cannibal-infested regions. But by the '60s these methods had been abandoned.

The Vatican source said John Paul is planning to return to the take-no-prisoners plan.

"It's a win-win situation," said the source. "The church gets rid of an embarrassing problem, and for the natives it's a free food program."

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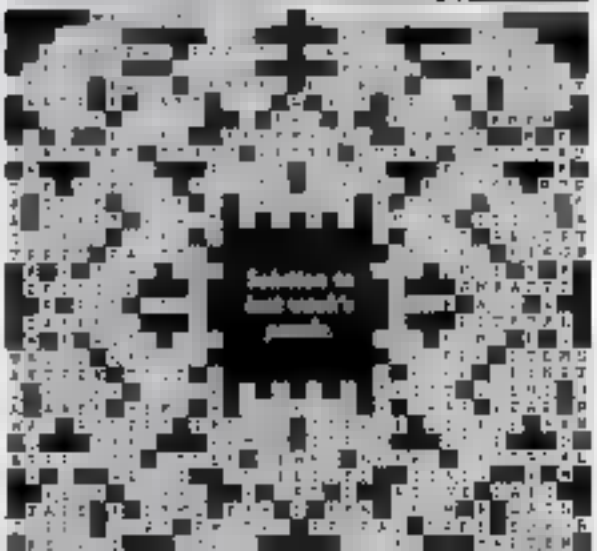

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FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 26

BY SERENA SABAK Psychic Astrologer to the Rich &

Readers all over the country are using psychic astrologer Serena Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks, and so can you! To find your lucky numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. If you need seven numbers for the lottery in your area, add your numbers. If you need fewer numbers, drop the numbers listed last.

ARIES

Mar. 21 - Apr. 19

This week is challenging, but you will prove you are capable of successfully handling a heavy load and emerge victorious.

That new person you've had your eye on is a true catch. Make your move or plan on regretting your hesitation.

Expect a problem with creditors when an important letter goes astray or a computer error proves troublesome.

TAURUS

Apr. 20 - May 20

Make plans early this week. Opportunities arise which should enable you to promote your ideas.

Money troubles may surface when you and your partner have a disagreement about how to spend it. Sleep on the couch before attempting to reconcile.

Take time out from your busy schedule to update your wardrobe — plaids are never a good idea!

GEMINI

May 21 - June 20

Be prepared this week for unexpected highs and lows. Early on you're super efficient, reorganizing yourself and even others.

Misdeeds, friends really pressed to help you cope with a stranger bringing confusion to your home.

Don't ignore that lucky feeling when it comes to romance or playing the ponies. You feel lucky for a reason.

CANCER

June 21 - July 22

Double what's really important for you to accomplish this week. Sort out your priorities and you'll make headway.

Double-check locks on doors and windows before leaving home. Also, it would be a good idea to change your sock and underwear drawers.

A friend will arrive from out of town with a surprising bag and some great news.

LEO

July 23 - Aug. 22

Don't be too quick this week to dip into your hard-earned nest egg to help a spouse a friend's get-rich-quick scheme.

Lucky numbers are 23 and 6.

Your sense of humor gets you through a sticky situation with rough boss.

It's no time to rekindle an old flame. Your luck improves over the weekend after you take care of domestic chores.

VIRGO

Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Your single-mindedness is paying off and projects will come to completion easily. Moreover, you will start to feel a little less this week, so make time to get out and play!

A late-night make-up works in your favor and discard powers to be a temporary in a tempest. The weekend will be extra romantic for lucky singles. Wearing blue will improve the situation.

LIBRA

Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Listen to one who offers you advice this week — they aren't blowing smoke.

The week finds you rising against the clock trying to get everything done on time but you will finally relax on the weekend with friends and someone you've had your eye on.

If travel is on your agenda this week, start out early to avoid a dangerous traffic situation.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You'll ride high early this week when everyone gives you the credit and recognition you deserve.

Moreover, someone who may try to take the credit, so use your sense of humor and mental arts skills if needed.

A partner's angry mood will call for patience and understanding on your part. Listen to what he or she is telling you!

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

This week is a good time to begin planning for a summer getaway.

Advice from a friend helps you solve a sticky problem.

Too tied combined and trapped by the demands on your time keep you the weekend. Surrender, but don't give yourself away. Your family needs you to focus on them for a while. Romance is on the upswing.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

Be prepared for trouble this week when family and friends feud. Be wary of talking sides — you could come out the loser.

You feel in-laws are interfering in your affairs, and you're right. Watch your back!

Attending a party on the weekend could bring an introduction to one who could play a future romantic role.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

You may begin this week spending more and getting requests from an active weekend. Be prepared for a misfortune or failure of some kind upon rise or a major home appliance.

Don't let your busy schedule interfere with helping some of the daily grind — try listening instead of talking.

Your financial situation can improve considerable this week.

PISCES

Feb. 19 - Mar. 20

This week will be lucky for you. Games of chance, lottery tickets and short-term investments should pay off handsomely.

Be extra good because has you standing the cells and ready for busy all day long and stay away from sharp utensils. Angry feelings could surface when someone close to you makes short work without telling you.

YOUR LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS

ARIES	8, 10, 16, 28, 31, 39
TAURUS	[illegible]
GEMINI	2, 8, 10, 17, 29, 47
CANCER	[illegible]
LEO	7, 11, 14, 20, 21, 34
VIRGO	[illegible]
LIBRA	3, 11, 21, 25, 30, 34
SCORPIO	[illegible]
SAGITTARIUS	6, 7, 12, 19, 27, 36
CAPRICORN	[illegible]
AQUARIUS	4, 12, 17, 29, 41, 44

If your birthday is this week...

A lifelong dream of yours is about to come true. But to raise this point you will [illegible] your own, but it will take lots of hard work to keep it.

HUBBLE TELESCOPE REVEALS REAL-LIFE ALIEN STAR WARS

. . . and they're headed for Earth!

HOUSTON — While scanning the deepest reaches of our galaxy, the Hubble Telescope photographed what appears to be an enormous space battle between a highly advanced but peaceful society and a race of blood-thirsty warriors — and scientists fear the Earth could be the next target of the victorious alien marauders!

The top-secret photographs show a war involving thousands of alien ships, some up to five miles in length, says a NASA insider who viewed the startling images. Huge sections of space were dotted with moon-sized explosions as the two armies dueled to the death.

"Frantic deep-space radio dispatches between the warring armies were picked up by several extremely sensitive military radio telescopes around the world," the insider told Weekly World News.

"We were able to decipher portions of the alien messages using computer-

to be headed toward Earth. If the alien warships maintain their current speed, they could reach us in as little as four years."

Some experts theorize that the outnumbered alien army is being led by an alien-equivalent of Adolf Hitler, hell-bent on enslaving the universe one planet at a time.

"This isn't E.T. wanting to go home," a Pentagon source — who was recruited by NASA — said.

"We are not talking about cute little aliens who want to be friends. In fact, from what I've been told, it's just the opposite — an impending attack by monstrous, warring cultures.

"These creatures have no concern or mercy. We learned from the decimated remains of their home planets all but annihilated.

"I can only compare this enemy to Saddam Hussein, most likely multiplied by a very charismatic and evil individual who will stop at nothing in his drive for total galactic conquest.

"This could be the worst threat mankind has ever faced."

times over the past few months to discuss the very real possibility of all-out war with the alien army.

"This is the real reason President Bush is so intent on developing a workable

By STANLEY DONALDSON
Wirely News Editor

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[illegible] of amazing Hubble photographs chronicle [illegible] space — [illegible] large as 5 miles long!

SPACE NAZIS! This is an artist's conception of the Hitler-like commander that leads the cruel alien race.

[illegible] that on public or them would be a global panic that [illegible] belief — and that of most military officials — that a space attack will offer the most effective prosecution from alien attack. God help us if that doesn't work."

Dr. Tannenbaum and other [illegible] an [illegible] of the impending attack within the next two years.

"Government officials aren't going to be able to keep this a secret for much longer," he states.

"Within a year or two the alien armada will become visible to amateur astronom

Such weapons [illegible] against our fledgling [illegible] they could make World War II look like a picnic.

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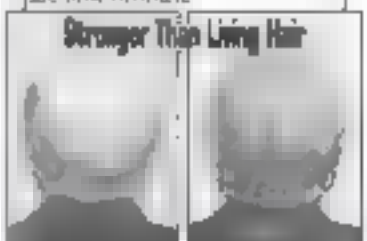

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DEAD OR ALIVE?

THESE one-time obligations often used to be as familiar to us as members of our own families. We'd watch them on TV every week — sometimes every day. We grew up with them. But we haven't seen much of them lately. Can you tell who's still living and who's dead? (Answers at bottom.)

By
BRETT ALAN
Weekly World News

This week:
HEROES & VILLAINS

This bad girl made all the guys tremble — except James Bond. Octopussy's Maud Adams

Don't make Ann angry, you won't like her when she's angry. — The Incredible Hulk's BILL BIXBY

How did she read her wrinkle plans? Wonder Woman's LYNDA CARTER

He was a real hero, but we're not sure why. — Magnum's Heroes BOB CRANE

If he was the greatest American Hero, why couldn't he land a date with Connie Sellecca? WILLIAM KATT

Riddle me this Batman — where have your archrivals gone? Are they dead or are they plotting their most villainous schemes? (L-R) CESAR ROMERO, LEE MERIWEATHER, FRANK GORSHIN, BURGESS MEREDITH

Maud Adams is the only woman to appear in three Bond movies. She is 37. Bill Bixby died in 1993 of cancer. Bob Crane was murdered in 1978. The murder remains unsolved. William Katt is 52. Linda Carter is 51. Cesar Romero (The Joker) died in 1994. Frank Gorshin (The Riddler) is alive and 68. Lee Meriwether is former Miss America. Burgess Meredith died in 1997 at the age of 88.

Your tarot fortune from Page 39 — REVEALED!

Card No. 3: King of Swords
POWER POSITION

Love: You will find yourself drawn to someone who is charismatic and domineering, and who may even hold a position of authority. Be careful not to give up all control to this person.

Money: Signs favor your side in a lawsuit or other financial dispute. You may be offered a moneymaking opportunity; check it out before committing.

Health: This may be a good time for that cosmetic surgery you've been dreaming

Card No. 5: Hermit
SOLITUDE

Love: Take some time alone and think about what you really want in a partner and when you're ready you'll find that special someone. Even serious relationships can benefit from this.

Money: Opportunities abound for making extra money, perhaps even on your own time! Check out what the Internet has to offer, but watch for programs that seem too good to be true.

Health: Friends and family have been making a lot of demands lately. It's

Card No. 1: 9 of Cups
BLESSINGS OVERFLOW

Love: Your luck in finally come in, and it looks to stay for awhile! Your relationship is headed in exactly the direction you've been hoping it will take.

Money: Your chances of winning the lottery or other contest are greatly improved — get out your lucky numbers! Other parts of your world are just as always as the skyways players. Keep your radar on.

Health: Like everything else, the news about your health is good. You may not

Card No. 2: 6 of Pentacles
PAYBACK TIME

Love: You've been giving and giving and giving, and soon you'll start receiving. Your partner is ready to please you, although you may still need to speak up and say what you want.

Money: Your patience is rewarded when an old debt is repaid, an unexpected refund comes your way, or a friend returns a favor.

Health: You've been shirking the doctor, sticking to your fitness routine and following a proper diet and now the hard work is paying

Card No. 4: 4 of Wands
TRANSFORMATIONS

Love: Committed couples will find their relationship grows in the next year and may even move into a new home. Those who are more casually linked will start thinking about moving in together or getting married.

Money: A well-planned real estate investment will pay off financially. There may never be a better time to use these gains for a new home.

Health: If you're not feeling up to par, changes to your lifestyle or living space could really help pick you up.

You can play Sandra's magic Tarot Cards, too! Just turn to Page 39 and pick a

LAWRENCE WELK'S CHAMPAGNE MUSIC BUBBLING BACK!

By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Kenya World Desk

LOS ANGELES — It should be "wunnerful, wunnerful" news to those who recall Lawrence Welk's heyday as television's premier bandleader, but it's the music business's dirty little secret: Welk's "Champagne Music" is popping off the charts — outselling the likes of Eminem, Britney Spears and other "hip" artists!

"It's all hush-hush because the recording industry is mortified," says a highly placed music company executive. "Lawrence Welk was never cool when he was alive and he's been dead for 10 years but the kids are crazy about him! We don't see it on the charts, but he's outselling rap artists, country, rock, and even boy bands like *NSYNC. For an industry fixated on youth, this is just too embarrassing."

It's also completely understandable except for those in the know. Welk's recordings aren't new. It died in stores, but those in the "Accordion Society," as Welk's clandestine fans call themselves, can find them if they give the right password to clerks in the know.

"The rules change, but it's usually the name of one of Welk's musicians like accordionist Myron Floren, organist Jim Ramsey or ex-cellist Lennie Sisters," says Andy Schneidkraut, who owns Albums on the Hill, a popular record store for college kids in Boulder, Colo. "They'll come in and say, 'Do you have any 'Kathy,' 'Doo-Doo' or 'Peggy' and I know just what they're looking for and slip it to them.

"Anything by Welk significantly outsells people like Eminem, U Dubby or Papa Roach in my store, but the music industry would rather die than admit it."

Schneidkraut, who observes hip trends change firsthand from his store, says that Welk music has crossed over to fashion.

"It's frightening. Girls are starting to wear black patent leather shoes, blouses with Peter Pan collars and pink sweaters. And reports are surfacing of underground Champagne Music rave parties where the kids play Lawrence Welk records all night long."

KIDS like these are shaking their butts to Lawrence Welk's "bubble music" nowadays.

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A queen bee can lay 3,000 eggs in

By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Weekly World News

THERE are more than 15,000 different varieties of rice. The size of your foot is approximately the size of your forearm. A "nullipara" is a woman who has never borne a child.

That's just a sample of the astonishing trivia that editors and reporters at *Weekly World News* have unearthed while researching all the terrific stories you read in our paper every week. Here's more:

● An estimated 4,000 pounds of trash have been cleared from Mt. Everest, but an estimated 10,000 pounds remain.

● Anise is the scent on the artificial rabbit that is used in greyhound races.

● The St. Louis Gateway Arch looks taller than it is wide, but it is exactly 630 feet by 630 feet.

● The roaring lion in the MGM logo was named Volney and lived at the Memphis Zoo.

● The strength of curly letters was measured in "Gillettes," the number of blue razor blades a given beam could puncture.

● Tom Cruise's latest thriller, *Minority Report*, features a quick cameo by Cameron Diaz. Eagle-eyed viewers can spot her as the blonde behind the man who spots fugitive John Anderton (Cruise) on the train.

● The necklace worn by Nicole Kidman in *Moulin Rouge!* was made of real diamonds and platinum and was the most expensive piece of jewelry ever made for a film. The Sixteen Century necklace contains 1,308 diamonds, weighing a total of 134 carats, and is worth an estimated $1 million.

● The bombing sequence in the movie *Pearl Harbor* was overseen by the Environmental Protection Agency. The film crew used 700 sticks of dynamite, 2,000 feet of primer cord and 4,000 gallons of gasoline to ignite the six ships.

● Richard Harris only agreed to take the part of Albus Dumbledore in *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* after his 11-year-old granddaughter threatened never to speak to him again.

● In Italy it is illegal to make coffins out of anything except cornhusks or wood.

● A 1994 auction at Sotheby's in London brought in big bucks for music and film memorabilia. U2's Bono paid nearly $56,000 for the Hitler-like suit worn by Charlie Chaplin in the 1940 film *The Great Dictator*. A collection of Jimi Hendrix's music was sold to a collector for nearly $80,000. The highlight of the auction was the sale of the earliest known recording of the late Beatle John Lennon for $183,775. The 1957 recording was of Lennon's first band, a group called The Quarrymen. It was recorded by 16-year-old Lennon on a 3-inch reel of tape, and contained two songs: "Puttin' On the Style" and "Baby Let's Play House." This sale marked the highest price paid at auction for any recording at that time.

● Robert Peary, discoverer of the North Pole, included a photograph of his nude mistress in a book about his travels.

● It has been determined that one brow wrinkle is the result of 300,000 frowns.

● Pigs, dogs and some other

Busty movie babe Jayne Mansfield was an ace when it came to pinching pennies. She decorated her "Pink Palace" by writing to 1,500 furniture and building suppliers and asking for free samples. She told the donors they could then brag that their goods were in her outlandish mansion. The pitch worked, and Jayne received over $150,000 worth of free merchandise.

A 21-state survey of career-oriented women with tattoos revealed that they chose to adorn their left breast over their right by a ratio of 3 to 1.

Red squirrels, though smaller than gray squirrels, follow in the tradition of redheads — they are fierce and have sharp tempers.

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TRIVIA

It took Henry Ford's motor company 12 years to manufacture 1 million automobiles. By 1924 the auto giant had produced an additional 9 million cars. Today, approximately 7 million cars are manufactured in the U.S. each year.

animals can taste water, but people cannot. Humans don't actually taste the water, they taste the chemicals and impurities in the water.

● Kuzulsky (also spelled kuzulaki and kazalaka) is the popular, vigorous Russian folk dance performed by a man. It is characterized by a step in which, from a squatting position, each leg is alternately kicked out.

● The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows. It was the fashion in Renaissance Florence to shave them off.

● Charlize Theron (*The Cider House Rules, Reindeer Games*) attended boarding school in Johannesburg, South Africa. She studied with the Joffrey Ballet in New York. Her dreams of becoming a professional dancer were dashed following a knee injury.

● Illusionist David Copperfield donated $19,000 in October 1994 to repair the vandalized New York gravesite of legendary magician Harry Houdini. Houdini's mausoleum, with its Gothic benches and ornate headstones, had been vandalized five months earlier. Houdini and his wife both rest at the site.

● Entertainers who worked in the pizza business before they became famous include Murray, who was a pizza maker, and Jean-Claude Van Damme, who delivered pizzas. Many years back, both Julia Roberts and Christie Brinkley sold ice cream. And before she made it as a pop singer, Madonna sold donuts at Dunkin' Donuts. And in the burger arena, Jennifer Aniston was a waitress at a burger joint, Queen Latifah worked at Burger King and Andie McDowell was employed by McDonald's.

● In China, wealthy men used to grow out their fingernails to astonishing lengths of several feet and would have the nails covered in a silk bag whenever they went anywhere. The reason? It showed the man had to do nothing for himself and was cared for entirely by his servants.

● As late as 1903, auto license plates were issued by states and they could design and manufacture them however they wished. Massachusetts was the first state to require that the plates be made by prison labor. The practice was discontinued in 1956.

● "The trouble is not that players have sex the night before a game. It's that they stay out all night looking for it." — Casey Stengel.

A giraffe has the same number of vertebrae in its neck that a human does.

In Britain a "boob tube" is a tube top, not a TV.

In the Middle Ages, the wearing of fur became so widespread, its use was forbidden to all but nobility.

The knee is the most easily injured of all the joints in the body. Hospital emergency rooms log 1.4 million visits per year for knee problems.

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